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                IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
              FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
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     PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, )
               Plaintiff,
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                                     No. 2:19-cv-00193-KS-MTP
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     vs.
     SITCOMM ARBITRATION
     ASSOCIATION, MARK MOFFETT,
     SANDRA GOULETTE, RONNIE
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     KAHAPEA, MARK JOHNSON, KIRK
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     GIBBS, and ALARIC SCOTT, )
               Defendants. )
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        REMOTE VIDEO RECORDED DEPOSITION OF SANDRA GOULETTE
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                        Laurel, Mississippi
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                     Tuesday, December 8, 2020
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                              Volume I
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     Reported by:
     LISA ANDREASEN
     CSR No. 9584
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               Remote video recorded deposition of SANDRA
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     GOULETTE, Volume I, taken on behalf of Plaintiff with
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     the witness located in Laurel, Mississippi, beginning
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     at 10:46 a.m. PST and ending at 3:09 p.m. PST on Tuesday,
     December 8, 2020, before LISA ANDREASEN, Certified
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     Shorthand Reporter No. 9584.
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1	Laurel, Mississippi, Tuesday, December 8, 2020	
2	10:46 A.M.	
3		
4	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Good morning. We are	
5	now going on the record at 10:46 a.m. on Tuesday,	10:46:38
6	December 8, 2020. This is the Media Unit 1 of the	
7	video recorded deposition of Sandra Goulette in the	
8	matter of PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, versus	
9	Sitcomm Arbitration Association filed in the United	
10	States District Court for the Southern District of	10:47:02
11	Mississippi, Eastern Division. This is Case Number	
12	2:19-cv-00193-KS-MTP.	
13	This deposition being is being held via	
14	Zoom technology. My name is Jonathan Manuel from	
15	the firm Veritext Legal Solutions, and I'm the	10:47:28
16	videographer. The court reporter is Lisa Andreasen	
17	from firm Veritext Legal Solutions. I am not	
18	authorized to administer an oath. I'm not related	
19	to any party in this action nor am I financially	
20	interested in the outcome.	10:47:41
21	Counsel and all present in the room and	
22	everyone attending remotely will now state their	
23	appearances and their affiliations for the record.	
24	If there are any objections to proceeding, please	
25	state them at the time of your appearance beginning	10:47:51
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1	with the noticing attorney.	
2	MS. CHANG: Good morning. My name is	
3	Cheryl Chang of Blank Rome, and I am counsel for the	
4	plaintiff in this action, PennyMac Loan Services.	
5	MR. POWERS: Hello, this Harris Powers of	10:48:03
6	the Upshaw Williams law firm in Greenwood,	
7	Mississippi on behalf of the plaintiff, PennyMac	
8	Loan Services, LLC, appearing as local counsel and	
9	noting that I am on Central Time, which is a	
10	two-hour offset from the videographer.	10:48:20
11	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Would the court reporter	
12	please swear in the witness.	
13	SANDRA GOULETTE,	
14	having been administered an oath, was examined and	
15	testified as follows:	10:49:02
16	EXAMINATION	
17	BY MS. CHANG:	
18	Q Good morning, Ms. Goulette, or good	
19	afternoon where you are in Laurel, Mississippi. My	
20	name, as I mentioned to you earlier today off the	10:49:05
21	record, is Cheryl Chang, and I represent the	
22	plaintiff in this action, PennyMac Loan Services,	
23	and my co-counsel, Harris Powers, is also on this	
24	Zoom deposition. I will be doing the majority of	
25	the questioning, but if Mr. Powers has any	10:49:23
		Page 6

1	additional questions, he will be asking you some, as	
2	well. Is there any reason that you will not be able	
3	to answer my questions truthfully and accurately	
4	today?	
5	A No.	10:49:35
6	Q All right. One thing that I'm noticing	
7	right off the bat is that you are answering	
8	verbally, which you need to do in order for	
9	Ms. Andreasen to get your answers on the record. If	
10	you shake your head or nod your head, she cannot	10:49:53
11	record that in the transcript even though there is a	
12	videographer today recording you on video. So	
13	anytime I ask a question, just please provide a	
14	verbal answer such as a yes or a no or, you know,	
15	your explanation of your answer. Don't just nod or	10:50:09
16	shake your head. Okay?	
17	A I understand.	
18	Q Are you currently taking any medications	
19	that would affect your testimony today?	
20	A No.	10:50:19
21	Q Are you under the influence of alcohol this	
22	morning?	
23	A No.	
24	Q Any drugs?	
25	A No.	10:50:29
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1	Q And are you feeling well enough to testify?	
2	A Yes, ma'am.	
3	Q You understand that you are under oath	
4	today and even though we are not together in a room,	
5	as we would normally be doing in a deposition	10:50:44
6	pre-COVID, that you are still under oath and are	
7	required to answer questions truthfully?	
8	A I understand.	
9	Q You understand that I'll ask you questions,	
10	and as you answer, the court reporter will be taking	10:51:00
11	down everything we say today.	
12	A I understand.	
13	Q And if at any point I ask a question or	
14	Mr. Powers asks a question that you don't understand	
15	or if because of tech difficulties we all have to	10:51:18
16	deal with these days, there's a gap in the sound or	
17	the video, please let me know, and I will repeat the	
18	question or have the court reporter read it back.	
19	A Okay. That's fine.	
20	Q So if you answer a question once I ask it,	10:51:34
21	I will assume that you understood the question.	
22	Okay?	
23	A Yes.	
24	Q All right. As we're taking video of this	
25	deposition today and we're also having the court	10:51:50
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1	reporter take down the questions and answers, we may	
2	use your testimony at trial in this case or in	
3	another hearing in this case. Do you understand	
4	that?	
5	A Yes.	10:52:03
6	Q And you've been very good about this so	
7	far, but when I ask questions, please don't	
8	interrupt my questions. Sometimes I'm mid thought	
9	process in crafting my questions; so just try to	
10	wait before I finish my question and then give your	10:52:21
11	answer. And you've been doing that perfectly today.	
12	Okay?	
13	A Okay.	
14	Q And in answering my questions, I don't want	
15	you to ever guess. I want you to give your best	10:52:34
16	estimate. Do you understand the difference between	
17	a guess and an estimate?	
18	A Yes, I do.	
19	Q Okay. Great. Now, we'll take a break	
20	every so often to give everyone in this deposition	10:52:47
21	some comfort to use the rest room or take a break	
22	and walk around. If you need a break at any time	
23	before, you know, I request one or anyone else	
24	requests one, just let me know.	
25	A Okay.	10:53:02
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1	Q And anytime you request a break, I will	
2	definitely allow you to take a break. Just try not	
3	to ask for break in the middle of a question I'm	
4	asking before you give an answer. Okay?	
5	A Yes.	10:53:14
6	Q All right. Since we're on Zoom and we're	
7	not physically together, and Ms. Andreasen did you	
8	ask this off the record, but is there anyone else in	
9	the room that you're in currently?	
10	A No.	10:53:28
11	Q And are you testifying from what appears to	
12	be your home office?	
13	A Yes.	
14	Q Other than what I believe is a laptop with	
15	camera access that you're using right now, what	10:53:42
16	other electronic devices do you have in the room	
17	with you?	
18	A This is not a laptop. This is a desktop.	
19	And as far as another another other	
20	electronics are concerned, there is a printer, a	10:54:03
21	camera and a keyboard and a speaker.	
22	Q All right. Do you have any cell phones	
23	with you?	
24	A Yes.	
25	Q How many cell phones do you have with you	10:54:27
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1	in the room?	
2	A One.	
3	Q And can you confirm that you will refrain	
4	from using that cell phone or any of the other	
5	electronic devices other than your computer during	10:54:38
6	this deposition?	
7	A Yes.	
8	Q And can you confirm that you will not	
9	communicate with anyone during the deposition by	
10	instant message, Skype, chat, email, texting or any	10:54:52
11	other method while we're in this deposition?	
12	A Correct. I will not do that.	
13	Q At any time you do need to take an	
14	important phone call or respond to an urgent text,	
15	just let me know that you need break, and you can do	10:55:10
16	that off the record, but just do not do that while	
17	we're in session. All right?	
18	A Okay.	
19	Q All right. I'm going to start by showing	
20	you an exhibit. I'm going to share the screen. So	10:55:22
21	let me know if this comes up for you.	
22	A Okay.	
23	(Exhibit 1 was marked for identification.)	
24	BY MS. CHANG:	
25	Q Can you see it?	10:55:31
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1	A Yes.	
2	Q All right. This I will represent as	
3	Exhibit 1 is the deposition notice for your	
4	deposition that was sent to you, Ms. Goulette, and	
5	it's PennyMac's notice of deposition of Defendant	10:55:58
6	Sandra Goulette. And originally this deposition was	
7	set for December 7, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. Central	
8	Time. Did you receive this notice of deposition?	
9	A Yes.	
10	Q I'll scroll down just so you can see the	10:56:17
11	rest of it. So let me know if you want me to stop	
12	at any point.	
13	All right. So this is a 10-page or an	
14	11-page document that includes the proof of service	
15	and the FedEx delivery confirmation. And I'm	10:57:13
16	marking this as Exhibit 1 to your deposition. And	
17	you recognize this document. Yes, Ms. Goulette?	
18	A Correct.	
19	Q Do you recall how you received this notice	
20	of deposition?	10:57:28
21	A I either received it via first-class mail	
22	or Federal Express service.	
23	Q What was that last part? You said it was	
24	either by first-class mail or	
25	A Federal Express service.	10:57:50
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1	Q By normal express service?	
2	A Federal Express service.	
3	Q I'm sorry. Federal Express. My apologies,	
4	Ms. Goulette. There is there is a little bit	
5	of I don't know if it's echo or it's just	10:58:05
6	difficult to hear you. So that's why I asked you to	
7	repeat the answer, and I apologize about that.	
8	All right. So we did send this by Federal	
9	Express, and that is why there is a Federal Express	
10	confirmation. We sent it to your address in Laurel,	10:58:22
11	Mississippi at 3007 Crescent Hill Drive, and that's	
12	on the proof of service to this notice of	
13	deposition. Is that your best address to receive	
14	mail?	
15	A Yes, that's correct.	10:58:37
16	Q And is this the same address you have	
17	advised the court in this case to use for you?	
18	A Yes, that's correct.	
19	Q Is there another address that you are using	
20	at this time?	10:58:53
21	A No.	
22	Q And this is your home address; is that	
23	correct?	
24	A Yes.	
25	Q And you currently reside there?	10:59:03
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1	A I'm sorry.	
2	Q You currently reside at this address, 3007	
3	Crescent Hill Drive, Laurel, Mississippi 39440?	
4	A Correct.	
5	Q All right. We're going to mark as	10:59:18
6	Exhibit 2 another document that I'll show you.	
7	(Exhibit 2 was marked for identification.)	
8	BY MS. CHANG:	
9	Q This is a November 17, 2020, letter to the	
10	defendants in this current action. Do you recall	10:59:58
11	receiving this letter?	
12	A In regards to the deposition?	
13	Q I'm sorry.	
14	A Is this also in regards to the deposition?	
15	Q Yes. It's a letter that's addressed to all	11:00:28
16	the defendants in this case. It's regarding the	
17	depositions that we've noticed to date. And so as	
18	you can see on first page of the letter, the	
19	depositions of Mark Johnson, Ronnie Kahapea, Kirk	
20	Gibbs, Sandra Goulette and Mark Moffett are all	11:00:47
21	listed. Do you recall receiving this letter?	
22	A Yes.	
23	Q And for the record, I'll note that this is	
24	a 41-page document that identifies the depositions	
25	in the cover letter and then attaches all of the	11:01:05
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1
     various deposition notices. Did you also receive
     this letter by FedEx?
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         Α
              Correct.
3
              Okay. I'm going to show you another
     document that we'll mark as Exhibit 3.
                                                             11:01:23
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6
               (Exhibit 3 was marked for identification.)
     BY MS. CHANG:
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              This is a December 3rd, 2020, letter that
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     is addressed by FedEx to you at your Crescent Hill
     Drive address, and it is a letter that identifies 11:01:44
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     your deposition to take place on December 7th at
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12
     11:00 a.m., and we provide the Veritext link for the
     Zoom meeting. Do you recall receiving this letter,
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     Ms. Goulette?
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                                                             11:02:00
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         Α
              Yes.
              And then I believe after you received this
16
     letter you contacted my office on December 4th. Is
17
     that correct?
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              That was Friday. Yes. Correct.
19
              I believe you contacted my co-counsel, 11:02:26
20
     Nicole Metral.
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22
         Α
              Yes.
              And did you ask her to change the date of
23
24
     the deposition?
         A Yes, I did. I asked her to either postpone 11:02:41
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1	it to the afternoon of December the 7th or possibly	
2	the following day or as a third alternative to even	
3	maybe switch my time with Mr. Mark Moffett, yes.	
4	Q And why did you need to move the deposition	
5	date and time?	11:03:16
6	A Because I had a doctor's appointment this	
7	morning that I needed to get to.	
8	Q All right. So we accommodated that. And I	
9	will mark as Exhibit 4 we agreed to set your	
10	deposition for today, and I'll show you that	11:03:32
11	document right now.	
12	(Exhibit 4 was marked for identification.)	
13	BY MS. CHANG:	
14	Q All right. This is Exhibit 4, which is an	
15	amended notice of deposition for Defendant Sandra	11:03:54
16	Goulette, and it sets the deposition for	
17	December 8th, 2020, which is today at 12:30 Central	
18	Time, which is 10:30 a.m. Pacific Time. Did you	
19	receive this amended deposition notice,	
20	Ms. Goulette?	11:04:13
21	A I did not receive this; however, I did	
22	receive a telephone call from Attorney Metral that	
23	told me that I would be receiving an email by Monday	
24	morning.	
25	Q All right. And did you receive that email?	11:04:31
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1	A Yes.	
2	Q And did the email include a Zoom link that	
3	you're now using to access this deposition?	
4	A Yes.	
5	Q All right. Now, you mentioned you asked	11:04:43
6	Ms. Metral on December 4th to change the day of the	
7	deposition or to switch or swap with Mr. Mark	
8	Moffett his deposition date, which is set for	
9	tomorrow, December 9th. Have you spoken to	
10	Mr. Moffett about today's deposition in any manner?	11:05:05
11	A No. As a matter of fact, in my email to	
12	Attorney Metral, I asked her that if it was possible	
13	that she reach out to Mr. Moffett and ask him if he	
14	would be willing to make those accommodations.	
15	Q And so you haven't spoken to Mr. Moffett	11:05:30
16	about this deposition?	
17	A No, sir no, ma'am.	
18	Q Have you spoken to Mr. Moffett about his	
19	deposition?	
20	A No, ma'am.	11:05:44
21	Q All right. Have you had in your deposition	
22	taken before?	
23	A Yes, ma'am.	
24	Q And how many times have you had your	
25	deposition taken?	11:05:53
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1	A One time quite a long time ago, actually	
2	over 20 years ago.	
3	Q That is a long time ago. Do you happen to	
4	remember what type of case it was that you testified	
5	in?	11:06:09
6	A It was yes, I do. I was a paralegal for	
7	a home inspection firm in Salem, Massachusetts, and	
8	I was required to give a deposition in that case,	
9	yes.	
10	Q And do you recall what the case was about?	11:06:29
11	I mean, I understand that you were testifying as a	
12	paralegal at a home inspection firm in	
13	Massachusetts. But was it a personal injury case?	
14	Was it an employment case?	
15	A No, it was actually a case where one of the	11:06:47
16	home inspectors was allegedly accused of not	
17	conducting a proper home inspection.	
18	Q And the allegations against this home	
19	inspector, is this a person that you worked with at	
20	the law firm, or was it a client of the firm?	11:07:12
21	A I did not work I did not work for a law	
22	firm. I was the paralegal for a home inspection	
23	company.	
24	Q Okay. So did you did you work with the	
25	home inspector that was alleged to not have done a	11:07:30
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1	proper home inspection?	
2	A No. The home inspectors, they worked all	
3	throughout the state of Massachusetts, and so they	
4	did not frequent the office because we only had one	
5	office in a central location. So many of the home	11:07:51
6	inspectors I had never even met.	
7	Q And so you testified as a witness, not a	
8	party to the lawsuit?	
9	A I'm having a hard time hearing you.	
10	Q All right. Were you a party to the	11:08:10
11	lawsuit? Meaning were you a plaintiff or defendant	
12	in the case?	
13	A No, I was not a party to the lawsuit. No.	
14	Q All right. So you were a witness?	
15	A Yes. Because I was the paralegal, I was	11:08:24
16	the person in charge of handling all incoming	
17	requests, and I was also the person in charge of	
18	following through with the clients and finding an	
19	appropriate remedy for the potential purchaser of	
20	the home as well as for the inspector.	11:08:56
21	Q All right. Did you end up testifying in	
22	court for that case, in trial or any other hearing?	
23	A No. The case was settled, ma'am.	
24	Q All right. Thank you. What have you done	
25	to prepare for today's deposition?	11:09:17
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1	A I have not really all that much. I mean	
2	I have gone over some paperwork in regards to the	
3	arbitrations that took place. And aside from that,	
4	I really don't have anything else to go over.	
5	Q All right. And we'll get to the documents	11:09:51
6	that reviewed you said you reviewed about the	
7	arbitration that took place. But did you speak to	
8	anyone about today's deposition?	
9	A No.	
10	Q And let's let's talk about the documents	11:10:05
11	that you said you reviewed in preparation for this	
12	deposition. What documents did you review?	
13	A I believe it was really documents that I	
14	have given you, your any kind of correspondence	
15	that was received on behalf of the client. We have	11:10:29
16	a very strict policy here at the organization	
17	and another excuse me clients are never	
18	permitted prior to their request to speak with the	
19	arbitrator. Because that would be considered	
20	ex parte communication. So we never let this	11:11:00
21	happen	
22	THE REPORTER: I'm sorry. I have to	
23	interrupt. I cannot understand the witness. I	
24	don't know if anybody else is having difficulty.	
25	MS. CHANG: Yes. So, Sandra, I think	11:11:14
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     are you on a headset or earpods?
              THE WITNESS: Yes, because my speaker
2
     doesn't work; so I have to speak through a phone.
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              MS. CHANG: Oh, you have to speak through
4
     the phone. Do you want to try disconnecting the 11:11:29
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6
     earpods and just speaking directly into the phone
7
     instead? Can you do that?
              THE WITNESS: I can try that, yes. Okay.
8
     Is that -- is that better?
              MS. CHANG: Like a thousand times better. 11:12:32
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              THE WITNESS: Okay. Sorry about that,
11
12
     ma'am.
              MS. CHANG: That's all right. You know, it
13
     will cause you a little bit of discomfort, I quess,
14
     holding up the phone for a long time. Do you have 11:12:42
15
     maybe wired earbuds or a headset? Because that
16
     would work better than the earpods.
17
              THE WITNESS: These are Bluetooth.
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              MS. CHANG: Oh, they're Bluetooth. I think
     that's part of the problem. Because sometimes
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                                                            11:12:59
     Bluetooth has, like, a lot of ambient noise. So
21
     it's like we're listening to you under water or
22
     something. So now we can try having you hold the
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     phone, but I know that's going to be exhausting for
     you. So if it does get tiring, just let us know.
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1	We can take more frequent breaks, or, you know, on a	
2	break, we can try and find another solution. Is	
3	that okay?	
4	THE WITNESS: That's fine. Yes. Thank	
5	you.	11:13:25
6	MS. CHANG: Okay. Thank you.	
7	BY MS. CHANG:	
8	Q Because I know Ms. Andreasen and I were	
9	both having difficulty hearing you, let's start at	
10	the beginning. What documents did you review? You	11:13:35
11	mentioned that they were correspondences with the	
12	client. Let's just start from the beginning on the	
13	documents that you reviewed in preparation for the	
14	deposition.	
15	A So the only documents that I, you know, go	11:13:46
16	over are the documents that clients submit to the	
17	organization, and then I I hand those kind of	
18	documents over to an arbitrator. If an arbitrator	
19	has any kind of conflict of interest or feels that	
20	the arbitrator is not able to handle that dispute	11:14:28
21	for whatever reason, then it would be reassigned.	
22	So basically I just make sure that the application	
23	is filled out, all the documentation is received,	
24	and that's pretty much it.	
25	Q Okay. So that was an overview of what you	11:15:06
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1	do at Sitcomm, it sounds like. But do you recall	
2	what specific documents you reviewed in preparation	
3	for this deposition?	
4	A Well, each each client who applies for	
5	arbitration, they're required to fill out an	11:15:27
6	application. And those are typically the documents	
7	that that I review along with making sure I	
8	mean, before we can move forward with arbitration,	
9	we have to make sure that that we have a copy of	
10	their of their contractual agreement. Okay. We	11:15:54
11	have to make sure that they have filled out the	
12	application and that they have paid the appropriate	
13	fees. And so basically, you know, those are the	
14	things that I look for before I pass those cases on	
15	to an arbitrator.	11:16:30
16	Q Okay. So in preparation for today's	
17	deposition, which clients' applications did you look	
18	at?	
19	A In preparation for today's application?	
20	Q In preparation for today's deposition.	11:16:46
21	Because you mentioned that you look typically at	
22	applications that clients submit in order to have an	
23	arbitration, and you look at the contractual	
24	agreement that they have in order to see if they can	
25	do an arbitration. Which clients' applications did	11:17:07
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1	you look at in preparation for today's deposition?	
2	A That would be Mr. Mark Johnson and	
3	Mr. Ronnie Kahapea.	
4	Q Okay. Anyone else? Any other clients'	
5	applications that you looked for in preparation for	11:17:34
6	today's deposition?	
7	A No.	
8	Q Now, as to Mark Johnson, when you looked at	
9	his application, did you find a contract that	
10	allowed him to conduct an arbitration?	11:17:49
11	A So as far as the arbitrations are concerned	
12	and any kind of contractual issue that may have gone	
13	on between the clients, I'll say it this way,	
14	between the claimants and the respondents, okay, it	
15	is absolutely not in my I'm not the arbitrator of	11:18:25
16	the issue. Okay? So it is absolutely the	
17	determination is never left up to me to make that	
18	determination. That determination and once that is	
19	signed to an arbitrator, that arbitrator is,	
20	therefore, responsible, okay, for going through all	11:18:51
21	of the documentation and specifically finding out if	
22	there is a valid arbitration clause and then and	
23	then settling the dispute from there.	
24	It is not in my position to go through	
25	individual contracts to find out if people are	11:19:19
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1	coming forward in a, you know, quote, unquote, good	
2	faith manner. That is something that is completely	
3	left up to the arbitrator to decide.	
4	Q Okay. And thank you for that	
5	clarification. So when you looked at Mr. Johnson's	11:19:41
6	application specifically in preparation for today's	
7	deposition, what did you what did you see?	
8	A I saw that he met the preliminary	
9	requirements, okay, to have an arbitration hearing	
10	heard, which was he submitted a contract, he paid	11:20:08
11	his fee, and he provided proof of notice of	
12	informing PennyMac. And so those types of things	
13	that are requirements of our organization	
14	specifically, you know, that would give me the	
15	go-ahead to assign that to an arbitrator.	11:20:51
16	As far as whatever is in the contract, you	
17	know, I don't sit down and read the contract. I'm	
18	not the arbitrator. I can't settle those disputes,	
19	and so that is primarily left up to the individual	
20	who is assigned as a subcontractor to hear that	11:21:15
21	matter.	
22	Q Okay. So is there any other requirement	
23	that you need in these applications in order to send	
24	this to an arbitrator for review? So you said	
25	contract, fees and proof of notice to the	11:21:35
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1	respondent. Is there any other part of the	
2	application that you have to look at in order for	
3	the preliminary items to fulfill the necessary	
4	requirements in order for you to pass pass it	
5	along to the arbitrator?	11:21:51
6	A Yes, absolutely. The client has to fill	
7	out what's called a request for dispute resolution	
8	upon complaint. Okay? And that is something else	
9	that I that I do take a look of. You know, when	
10	I'm scrolling through it, you know, I particularly	11:22:19
11	make I particularly, excuse me, make sure that	
12	the parties are the same as they are in the	
13	contract. Okay. Those you know, those are	
14	those are basically, you know, my duties. If they	
15	were not, you know and so I'll give you an	11:22:45
16	example. If a claimant was Mark Johnson versus, you	
17	know, GMAC Mortgage and yet he had filled out an	
18	application for Mark Johnson versus PennyMac, that	
19	would the whole entire scenario would have been	
20	returned back to Mr. Johnson.	11:23:12
21	Q Okay. Thank you. That's helpful. So you	
22	did find in your review of Mark Johnson's	
23	application in preparation for this deposition a	
24	contract between Mark Johnson and PennyMac?	
25	A Correct.	11:23:32
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1	Q And do you recall what the name of that	
2	contract was?	
3	A I I I wouldn't want to say	
4	because I I am not 100 percent, excuse me,	
5	certain. So I wouldn't want to give you, you know,	11:24:04
6	any kind of inclination that that I that I	
7	knew because I'm not I'm not sure. That's all.	
8	Q Right. Like I said at the beginning of the	
9	deposition, I do not want you to guess. But after	
10	the deposition, and I forgot to tell you this, but	11:24:21
11	Ms. Andreasen is going to create a transcript of	
12	everything that's been said in this deposition, so	
13	every question that I or Mr. Powers asks and every	
14	answer that you give. If I leave or have	
15	Ms. Andreasen leave a blank next to this question	11:24:39
16	about the title of the contract that you found	
17	between Mark Johnson and PennyMac in his	
18	application, can you fill it in once you get a copy	
19	of the transcript, which will be sent to you for	
20	review and execution?	11:24:58
21	A If I recall correctly, and I may not, I may	
22	not be a hundred percent accurate, the Mr. Johnson	
23	arbitration hearing may have taken place last summer	
24	or in the summer of 2019.	
25	Q Okay.	11:25:24
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1	A And so, therefore, I can honestly admit	
2	that, yeah, I'm having a little bit of a difficult	
3	time remembering, you know, the specifics of that at	
4	all.	
5	Q Okay. But in preparation for today,	11:25:54
6	meaning today's deposition, you did look at Mark	
7	Johnson's application to Sitcomm for an arbitration	
8	hearing?	
9	A Yes. It's very standard for me to, you	
10	know, for me to make sure that those four key	11:26:11
11	elements, okay, are present prior to even assigning	
12	it to an arbitrator. If one of those elements are	
13	even remotely missing or questionable, I should say	
14	that, I absolutely have to return those documents to	
15	the client and inform them that we are unable to	11:26:41
16	move forward.	
17	Q In Mark Johnson's case, though, he had	
18	those four elements in his application?	
19	A He did have the application, yes. He did	
20	have the contract. He did have the request for	11:26:56
21	dispute resolution, and he did have his proof of	
22	payment, yes. Correct.	
23	Q And he also had the proof of notice to	
24	PennyMac?	
25	A Yes. He said yes. He sent us the proof	11:27:11
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1	that he had mailed the notice to PennyMac, yes.	
2	Q All right. And when did you do this review	
3	of Mark Johnson's application in preparation for	
4	today's deposition?	
5	A When did I do the review of it?	11:27:35
6	Q To prepare for today's deposition.	
7	A Probably a couple weeks ago.	
8	Q Okay.	
9	A I've had I've had a couple of pretty	
10	serious things going on the past couple weeks that I	11:27:54
11	had to take care of. So I have not been able to	
12	look at it since.	
13	Q I understand. Do you recall when you	
14	looked at this file, Mark Johnson's file, a couple	
15	weeks ago if you saw the contract?	11:28:17
16	A If I saw the contract?	
17	Q Yes.	
18	A Yes.	
19	Q Okay. And you don't recall as you sit here	
20	today what the name of the contract is. Is that	11:28:32
21	correct?	
22	A I don't. It's been about a year; so I'm	
23	not you know, I wouldn't want to commit myself to	
24	saying what's the name or the specific name of the	
25	contract was.	11:28:52
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1	Q Okay. But when you reviewed the	
2	application for Mark Johnson a couple weeks ago,	
3	were you doing that in a paper hard copy file, or	
4	were you doing that on a computer screen?	
5	A On a computer screen.	11:29:05
6	Q Okay. So if I were to ask you to look up	
7	that file on the computer screen again, you would be	
8	able to find it; correct?	
9	A Correct.	
10	Q All right. So what I'm asking you is that,	11:29:17
11	I'm going to have Ms. Andreasen put a blank next to	
12	the question about the name of the contract in the	
13	transcript of today's proceedings. After today's	
14	deposition ends, I would like you to look up the	
15	contract and then write in the name of the contract	11:29:38
16	in the transcript when you get it. Is that okay?	
17	A Sure.	
18	INFORMATION REQUESTED:	
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20	BY MS. CHANG:	11:29:46
21	Q Okay. That's great. And when you do get	
22	the transcript after the deposition ends, and it	
23	will be, you know, a couple weeks before it gets to	
24	you, you'll have the opportunity to review all the	
25	questions and answers. And if there are any answers	11:29:58
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     that you believe are inaccurate, like the spelling
     of a name or a number, you have every right to go in
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     and make changes. And once you are comfortable that
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     everything in the transcript is accurate, you're
     going to execute the transcript and return it to our 11:30:18
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     office or Mr. Powers' office. Is that okay?
              Yes, ma'am.
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         Α
              Okay. So you mentioned that there was a
8
     fee paid by Mark Johnson. How much was that fee?
              The fee is for -- for our services depends. 11:30:35
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     So if there's -- if there's one respondent, anywhere
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12
     from one to five respondents, the fee would be $500.
13
     Okay. So anything from six to ten respondents, you
     know, it gradually goes up. To my best
14
     recollection, I do not believe that Mr. Johnson had 11:31:21
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16
     more than five respondents.
17
               I'm sorry. Your recollection is that he
18
     paid more than $500 for a fee?
              No. My recollection would be that he paid
19
     less. He paid $500, which was the standard for five 11:31:44
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     respondents but --
21
              Okay.
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         Q
              -- again that -- huh?
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              So he had one to five respondents in his
     arbitration is what you recall?
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1	A That is what I recall, yes. But, again, I	
2	was not the arbitrator on that matter. So, you	
3	know, I wouldn't be able to give you a hundred	
4	percent specifics on that, no.	
5	Q Okay. And you said that there's four parts	11:32:17
6	that are required for this application, and it's the	
7	contract, the fee, the proof of notice, all of which	
8	Mr. Johnson had, and also a request for dispute	
9	resolution upon complaint. What is in the request	
10	for dispute resolution upon complaint? Can you	11:32:41
11	describe that document for us?	
12	A Sure. The document basically lists the	
13	parties, and it lists what the parties have done as	
14	far as primarily the claimant getting in touch with	
15	the respondent to potentially resolve the dispute.	11:33:04
16	And if the respondent fails to comply or respond, I	
17	should say, not comply, there's an arbitration	
18	clause in there that specifically gives the claimant	
19	the opportunity to file for arbitration.	
20	Q All right. Now, you mentioned that you	11:33:37
21	looked at one other application in preparation for	
22	this deposition, and that was Ronnie Kahapea's	
23	application. What did you find in Ronnie Kahapea's	
24	application, if you can remember?	
25	A All of the applications that we receive at	11:33:56
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1	SAA, okay, they have to meet those four specific	
2	elements in order to be even referred to an	
3	arbitrator. So Mr. Kahapea, again he had to have	
4	had a contract, okay, proof of his payment, request	
5	for dispute resolution and an application.	11:34:30
6	Q Okay. And also a proof of notice to the	
7	respondent; right?	
8	A Correct.	
9	Q Okay. And just so it's easier for the	
10	court reporter, Ronnie Kahapea is R-o-n-n-i-e,	11:34:53
11	Kahapea, K-a-h-a-p-e-a. Now, also for the court	
12	reporter, when you refer to SAA, that's S, as in	
13	Sam, A as in apple, A as in apple, are you referring	
14	to Sitcomm Arbitration Association?	
15	A Correct.	11:35:16
16	Q And so if we use SAA or Sitcomm in this	
17	deposition, you'll understand that we're all	
18	referring to Sitcomm Arbitration Association?	
19	A Correct.	
20	Q All right. Thank you. Now, the same	11:35:29
21	questions for Mr. Kahapea's application. Do you	
22	recall the name of the contract that you found in	
23	his application?	
24	A In Mr. Kahapea's application?	
25	Q Yes.	11:35:45
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1	A I don't recall the specific name of the	
2	contract. I believe that Mr. Kahapea is located in	
3	Hawaii.	
4	Q Okay. Were you able to confirm that the	
5	contract was between Mr. Kahapea and PennyMac?	11:36:16
6	A I'm not sure. To be honest with you,	
7	that's not part of my when I'm taking in	
8	arbitrations, okay, an individual could have a	
9	conflict against Sears Roebuck & Company. Right?	
10	They could have a conflict against JC Penney. As	11:36:51
11	long as they present us with a contract and proof of	
12	service and and proof of their payment and the	
13	request for a dispute resolution right? then I	
14	can go ahead and refer that to an arbitrator. The	
15	arbitrator will then issue a hearing notification to	11:37:18
16	both of the parties.	
17	So in every single instance I couldn't	
18	possibly tell you who who had a situation with	
19	another party that they wanted a dispute resolved.	
20	That would be impossible for me to remember all of	11:37:43
21	those scenarios. So my basic thing is to make sure	
22	that everybody has all the documentation that is	
23	required to move forward, and then it's completely	
24	left up to the arbitrator to solve that dispute.	
25	Q Okay. Well, let me let me get some	11:38:11
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1	clarification because maybe I misunderstood you.	
2	But when we were talking about Mr. Johnson's file,	
3	you had said that part of your job on behalf of	
4	Sitcomm is that you have to find, you know, these	
5	four prerequisites before this file can be passed on	11:38:34
6	to an arbitrator. And one of the things that you do	
7	check is that the contract that the client provides	
8	is actually between the client and the respondent.	
9	So if Mr. Johnson had provided and this is the	
10	example, I believe, you used, but please correct me	11:38:55
11	if I'm wrong. If Mr. Johnson had provided you a	
12	contract with GMAC but he wanted to file an	
13	arbitration against PennyMac, you would return the	
14	file to Mr. Johnson. Is that accurate?	
15	A You're asking me that if Mr. Johnson had	11:39:13
16	a had a claim against GMAC and he also wanted to	
17	bring in PennyMac, it would be upon me to return	
18	that?	
19	Q More that, you know, if Mr. Johnson had an	
20	application to bring a lawsuit or an arbitration	11:39:40
21	against PennyMac but the contract that he provided	
22	you was not with PennyMac but instead with GMAC that	
23	you would return the file to him. Is that what you	
24	would do?	
25	A Of course, yeah.	11:39:53
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1	Q Okay. So I'm just trying to get	
2	clarification. Because here with Mr. Kahapea's	
3	file, you used the example that, you know, it's not	
4	your job to decide whether or not the contract is	
5	between the right parties, that that's left up to	11:40:14
6	the arbitrator. So I'm just trying to understand.	
7	Is it your job as a gatekeeper to confirm that the	
8	contract is between the client and the respondents	
9	that they want to sue, or is that the arbitrator's	
10	job?	11:40:31
11	A Excuse me. Nine times out of ten, you	
12	know, the contractual issue between two parties is	
13	completely at the resolve of the arbitrator. Okay?	
14	It would have absolutely nothing to do with me	
15	because I'm not the arbitrator listening to the	11:40:57
16	matter. And so what you're asking me, it could play	
17	several different variables. Because, you know,	
18	if if Mr. Brown, you know, would like to sue or	
19	has a dispute, I should say, with a homeowner who he	
20	found out has recently disclosed some information	11:41:32
21	right? on a brand-new a supposed brand-new	
22	air conditioning unit that has been brought in	
23	okay? Mr. Brown may have a case or some something	
24	that he would want to be remedied between those two	
25	parties, but that is not up to me to decide. That	11:42:00
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1	is up to the arbitrator to decide.	
2	Q Okay. So for Mr. Kahapea's file, you did	
3	not review the contract to make sure that it was	
4	between Mr. Kahapea and PennyMac?	
5	A I would have to go back and look again	11:42:22
6	because that was over a year ago. And off the top	
7	of my head, I don't specifically remember	
8	Mr. Kahapea having anything to do with PennyMac, but	
9	I'm not sure.	
10	Q So I understand that you recall	11:42:51
11	Mr. Kahapea's arbitration being about over a year	
12	ago. In preparation for today's deposition, when	
13	did you last review his application? Was it a	
14	couple weeks ago, the same time that you reviewed	
15	Mr. Johnson's file, or was it at a different time?	11:43:17
16	A No, it was actually later than that because	
17	I had received some kind of documentation, and I	
18	don't know where it is right now, that Mr. Kahapea	
19	had taken his situation or his matter to the United	
20	States District Court in Hawaii. So I was not sure,	11:43:56
21	you know, the surrounding or what was going on with	
22	that, and so I excuse me specifically I don't	
23	believe so.	
24	And, again, all of this stuff, you know, we	
25	rely on people to bring forth, you know, quote	11:44:23
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1	unquote, you know, a good faith effort. Okay? In	
2	other words, if frivolous things come along, such as	
3	a hypothetical, you know, we're going to sue the	
4	wrong bank because they reassumed our mortgage, you	
5	know, that happens all the time, we rely on people	11:45:02
6	to bring forth what's called a good faith effort.	
7	And if they're not going to do that, then they will	
8	never prevail. And so it's not necessarily my job	
9	to go through, you know, contract after contract	
10	after contract. Because then I would be impeding	11:45:28
11	the arbitration hearing, okay, and I would also be	
12	giving clues and inclinations towards the arbitrator	
13	that may or may not put him one way or the other.	
14	So I can't do that. It's up to the arbitrator to	
15	decide whether the contract is valid and whether the	11:45:58
16	parties appeared and made an attempt to appear and	
17	wanted to appear, and it's up to the parties to	
18	you know, to provide all of their evidence. They're	
19	given ample opportunity to do so, and it's you	
20	know, that is how the arbitrator bases their	11:46:29
21	determination, and it has absolutely nothing to do	
22	with me.	
23	Q Okay. Thank you for clarifying that. In	
24	addition to Mr. Kahapea's application, which you	
25	reviewed more recently than you reviewed	11:46:49
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1	Mr. Johnson's application, but let's just say they	
2	both happened within the last few weeks, did you	
3	review any other documents in preparation for	
4	today's deposition?	
5	A Did I review any documents for today's	11:47:03
6	deposition? Is that what you said?	
7	Q Yes, other than Mr. Johnson's application	
8	and Mr. Kahapea's application.	
9	A Yeah. As a matter of fact, I reviewed	
10	let's see the documentation that was sent to me	11:47:29
11	from Blank & Rome in regards to the deposition, yes.	
12	So, yes, I did go over these documents.	
13	Q And those were the notices of deposition	
14	that I showed to you in exhibits 1 through 4 at the	
15	beginning of the deposition?	11:48:01
16	A Correct. Except for in this document,	
17	it you know, it has space for all of the	
18	defendants involved. Okay? So yours you know, I	
19	think you just showed me my part in this part.	
20	Yeah, so this shows everybody involved.	11:48:27
21	Q Okay. So I'll represent to you that the	
22	document that we marked as Exhibit 2 earlier today	
23	has all of the deposition notices for the various	
24	parties and defendants in this case. I didn't	
25	scroll through the entire document, the 41-page	11:48:43
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1	document, but I believe that that's	
2	A I understand.	
3	Q Okay. All right. So other than those	
4	notices of deposition, Mr. Kahapea's file and	
5	Mr. Johnson's file, did you review any other	11:48:58
6	documents in preparation for today?	
7	A Off the top of my head, no, Ms. Attorney	
8	Chang. And the reason is I have been ill for the	
9	past couple weeks. I had a doctor's appointment	
10	yesterday morning for a severe infection, which I'm	11:49:32
11	now on heavy antibiotics for. So I've been down and	
12	out in bed a lot, and, you know, this is it's	
13	kind of been piling up. I'm just now starting to	
14	feel better, thank God, and I have all intentions	
15	on, you know, getting getting back to this rather	11:50:01
16	quickly. But I just haven't I ended up getting a	
17	pretty bad infection, needed some IV treatment, as	
18	well as antibiotics so but I will be pursuing	
19	that relatively soon.	
20	Q All right. And I'm sorry to hear about	11:50:34
21	your infection, but I'm glad that you are feeling	
22	better, that you were able to see the doctor.	
23	A Thank you.	
24	Q Other than the antibiotics that you're on	
25	right now, are you on any other medications today?	11:50:46
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1	A No, ma'am.	
2	Q Okay. And with regard to these documents	
3	that you reviewed, could you please produce them to	
4	my office or email them to Ms. Metral?	
5	A Um-hmm.	11:51:04
6	Q Okay. I'd ask	
7	A I	
8	Q Go ahead.	
9	A So you would like a copy of the Johnson	
10	contract?	11:51:12
11	Q I would like	
12	A A lot these prep	
13	Q Yes, the entire application for those	
14	parties, not just the contract. So anything that	
15	you would have reviewed in preparation for this	11:51:23
16	deposition I would like you to send that to	
17	Ms. Metral, if you could, after the deposition.	
18	A Okay. Yes. So our excuse me. Our	
19	subcontractors, you know, our arbitrators are hired	
20	as strictly as subcontractors, and they are	11:51:47
21	responsible for notifying parties. They're	
22	responsible for going through all documentation and	
23	evidence including any of these matters. They're	
24	also responsible for for getting any paperwork to	
25	include any type of award, if one is merited, to	11:52:18
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1	both of the parties. And so, you know, it's a	
2	matter of them following through with and being	
3	responsible and doing what they're supposed to do,	
4	and I'm just kind of like somewhat the overseer of	
5	that. You know, if I get an email that a document	11:52:50
6	hasn't been received, then I take care of it	
7	immediately. You know, that's I have nothing to	
8	do with the hearings or anything of that nature.	
9	Q Okay. Well, let's get into your role at	
10	Sitcomm. Because I think that's kind of what you're	11:53:10
11	talking about right now. When did you first	
12	become become involved with Sitcomm Arbitration	
13	Association?	
14	A I became involved with Sitcomm in January	
15	of 2019.	11:53:31
16	Q And how did you become involved with	
17	Sitcomm?	
18	A I was informed by a friend of a friend that	
19	they were looking for arbitrators. Now, at that	
20	time, there was a different director, which was not	11:53:58
21	a good situation. So he after quite a few months, I	
22	think by June of that year of 2019, he had left.	
23	And unfortunately the founder of the organization	
24	was predisposed and unable to get back into the	
25	scene to to do anything about it, you know. And	11:54:49
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1	so, I guess, because of my my background and my	
2	degrees, I was just asked to, you know, just do kind	
3	of like an oversee type of thing and make sure that	
4	everybody was doing the right thing and not you	
5	know, and not making absurd, you know, decisions and	11:55:26
6	whatnot.	
7	I'm in the process of going back to law	
8	school, and, you know, I made it very clear from the	
9	beginning that I would be doing this temporarily	
10	just to you know, just to help really. I would	11:55:58
11	imagine that the founder of the organization will be	
12	back within or I should say by the end of this	
13	month.	
14	Q And who is that founder?	
15	A That is Brett Jones, J-o-n-e-s.	11:56:30
16	Q Is Brett Jones known by any other names?	
17	A Legally, no. Nickname-wise, yes.	
18	Q Okay. What are his what are his	
19	nicknames?	
20	A That would be Eeon, E-e-o-n.	11:57:00
21	Q Any other nicknames?	
22	A Nickname?	
23	Q Correct.	
24	A I nickname, I don't know, but prior	
25	to prior to prior to Brett Jones his name was	11:57:34
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1	Branch, Keefe Branch.	
2	Q And is that Branch like a tree branch,	
3	B-r-a-n-c-h?	
4	A Yes, ma'am.	
5	Q So his name was and was that was	11:57:57
6	Keefe Branch a prior legal name for Brett Jones?	
7	A Yes, ma'am.	
8	Q Okay. Any other legal names that he has	
9	gone by, if you know?	
10	A Not to my knowledge, ma'am.	11:58:12
11	Q All right. So going back to January 2019	
12	when you first became involved with Sitcomm, you	
13	said that a friend of a friend referred you. Do you	
14	recall the names of those two friends?	
15	A Well, excuse me. What was happening at the	11:58:33
16	time was that Brett was making Eeon videos on	
17	YouTube. Okay? And a what do you call it? A	
18	friend of a a friend of a a friend of a	
19	friend, you know, like an acquaintance of ours is	
20	what I should say, had gone through something	11:59:12
21	similar in a situation. However, his his	
22	situation prevailed.	
23	Q And by his situation, do you mean	
24	arbitration, or do you mean something else? I'm not	
25	clear on what you're	11:59:39
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1	A Arbitration.	
2	Q Okay. Do you recall the friend that	
3	referred you to Sitcomm? Do you recall the name of	
4	the friend?	
5	A That referred me to Sitcomm? 11:59:	51
6	Q Yes.	
7	A I think it was I think her name was	
8	Sheryl Taraquta.	
9	Q Can you spell the last name for us.	
10	A T-a-r-a, Tara q-u-t-a. 12:00:1	L O
11	Q And is that a Sheryl with an "S" or a	
12	Sheryl with a "C"?	
13	A An "S".	
14	Q All right. So Sheryl Taraquta referred you	
15	to Brett Jones or to someone else at Sitcomm? 12:00:3	31
16	A She didn't refer me to Brett Jones. She	
17	referred me to Eeon.	
18	Q And Eeon is the nickname for Brett	
19	Jones; is that correct?	
20	A Eeon is the name that he is attempting to 12:00:4	ł 6
21	change his legal name of Brett John Brett Jones	
22	to, yeah.	
23	Q Okay. Now, when Sheryl Taraquta referred	
24	you to Eeon, did you meet him in person, or was	
25	there a telephone call or email exchange? How did 12:01:2	L4
	Page 45	

1	you first meet Eeon?	
2	A I've never met Eeon in person.	
3	Q When	
4	A He lives in California, and I live in	
5	Mississippi.	12:01:26
6	Q Okay. So this friend, Sheryl Taraquta,	
7	does she live in Mississippi or California or	
8	somewhere else?	
9	A She lives in Michigan.	
10	Q Michigan? Where in Michigan?	12:01:40
11	A She owned a house in Saint Clair, but I	
12	think she lost it a couple years ago. So really I	
13	haven't talked to her. Sheryl has gotten in trouble	
14	for having an extremely large amount of animals in	
15	her house, and they took all the animals away, and	12:02:11
16	she kind of went she wasn't happy. And I haven't	
17	talked to her since. But the Eeon videos on YouTube	
18	have been along for a long time.	
19	Q Did Sheryl Taraquta hire Sitcomm to file an	
20	arbitration on her behalf?	12:02:47
21	A Not that I know of, no.	
22	Q When Sheryl Taraquta referred you to Eeon,	
23	did she say how she knew Eeon?	
24	A I think just through his videos, yes.	
25	Q All right. And you mentioned that Eeon,	12:03:01
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1	a.k.a. Brett Jones, was predisposed at one point.	
2	What did you mean by that?	
3	A He's currently in he's currently located	
4	in the California Department of Corrections and	
5	Rehabilitation.	12:03:26
6	Q So he's currently incarcerated?	
7	A Yes, ma'am.	
8	Q Do you know what crime or crimes he was	
9	convicted of to result in his current incarceration?	
10	A Yes. In 1998 he was accused in Arizona of	12:03:42
11	something with a minor. I'm sorry. I don't know	
12	all these criminal terms but something with a minor.	
13	And then right after that, SORNA was enacted. Okay?	
14	And although his conviction was was pre-SORNA,	
15	they put him on SORNA anyway. And so consequently	12:04:32
16	after that he went to jail in New Mexico. He went	
17	to jail in Puerto Rico, and then in California	
18	they've had him in jail now for a year and a half.	
19	And it wasn't until just last week the California	
20	appellate judge reversed his decision because the	12:05:05
21	superior court judge didn't have the appropriate	
22	amount of evidence to give him the sentence that he	
23	was supposed to get, and that's why he is supposed	
24	to be out at the end of this month, December 28th to	
25	be exact.	12:05:34
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1	Q All right. And you mentioned SORNA. Is	
2	that an acronym? I'm not familiar with it. What	
3	did you mean by SORNA?	
4	A SORNA is the federal federal act for	
5	people who have been convicted of sexual abuse	12:06:05
6	crimes, and they have to register. That's what	
7	SORNA is.	
8	Q Can you spell SORNA for us.	
9	A S-O-R-N-A.	
10	Q And you said that Eeon is getting released	12:06:38
11	December 28th?	
12	A Yes, ma'am.	
13	Q And how did you obtain this information	
14	about Eeon's status at the appellate court?	
15	A It's online.	12:07:00
16	Q And did you obtain that information by	
17	looking it up online yourself?	
18	A Correct.	
19	Q Have you been in contact with Eeon while	
20	he's been incarcerated?	12:07:15
21	A Yes, ma'am.	
22	Q And how do you communicate with Eeon? By	
23	telephone? By email? By in-person visitation?	
24	A No, he calls me. He doesn't have access to	
25	computers.	12:07:35
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1	MS. CHANG: All right. Why don't we take a	
2	15-minute break. It's been a little over an hour, I	
3	believe.	
4	THE WITNESS: Thank you.	
5	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're now going off the 12:07:51	-
6	record. The time is 12:07 p.m. PST.	
7	MS. CHANG: All right. Thank you. So	
8	we'll come back on at 12:22.	
9	(Recess taken.)	
10	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We're now going back on 12:36:50)
11	the record. The time is 12:36 p.m. Pacific Standard	
12	Time.	
13	MR. POWERS: Ms. Chang, let the record	
14	reflect that this is Harris Powers, local counsel,	
15	still on the record. 12:36:59)
16	MS. CHANG: Thank you, Mr. Powers.	
17	BY MS. CHANG:	
18	Q All right. Ms. Goulette, before we took a	
19	break, you were talking about Eeon or Mr. Brett	
20	Jones and the appellate decision that reversed his 12:37:14	:
21	conviction, and you testified that he was going to	
22	be released from prison on December 28th. And you	
23	mentioned that you do speak to him over the phone	
24	while he's in prison because he doesn't have	
25	computer access. How often do you speak to 12:37:36	
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1	Mr. Jones on the phone?	
2	A It varies. It could be two times a week,	
3	three times a week, and it's only for fifteen-minute	
4	increments, and then he gets cut off.	
5	Q And what do you usually discuss with	12:37:56
6	Mr. Jones on these phone calls?	
7	A We usually discuss his his case.	
8	Q I mean, was it appealed?	
9	A Yes, it was appealed, and it was reversed.	
10	Q And did you assist Mr. Jones with the	12:38:17
11	appeal in any manner?	
12	A No. He had a court-appointed counsel, and	
13	I did speak with him on just a couple of occasions,	
14	and that was it.	
15	Q When you have these phone conversations	12:38:38
16	with Mr. Jones about twice a week for 15 minutes	
17	each, do you ever discuss the business of Sitcomm?	
18	A Sitcomm or Sitcomm Arbitration Association?	
19	Q I was using those two names	
20	interchangeably. But is there a distinction between	12:39:01
21	the two in your mind?	
22	A Yes, ma'am. Mr. Jones has three	
23	organizations. He has Satcomm, Sitcomm Arbitration	
24	Association and Sitcomm, LLC.	
25	Q And if you know, do you know what the	12:39:23
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1	differenc	ce is between those three entities?	
2	А	Sitcomm he I believe he founded in 2012.	
3	Q	And this is Sitcomm, LLC?	
4	А	Yes.	
5	Q	And what does Sitcomm, LLC, do?	12:39:49
6	А	I'm not 100 percent sure because I know	
7	that they	r're a foreign they're a foreign	
8	corporati	on.	
9	Q	And when you say they're a foreign	
10	corporati	on, where were they formed? What state?	12:40:15
11	А	I think it was Nevis, but I'm not sure. I	
12	think it	was Nevis.	
13	Q	Can you spell did you say Nevis?	
14	А	Yes, N-e-v-i-s.	
15	Q	And is that a city?	12:40:35
16	А	No, that is a that is a that's a	
17	foreign i	sland.	
18	Q	Oh.	
19	А	It's a it's a untarnished. So it's	
20	outside t	he United States.	12:40:56
21	Q	All right. And other than the fact that	
22	it's a fo	preign LLC formed on the island of Nevis, do	
23	you know	anything else about what Sitcomm, LLC,	
24	does?		
25	А	I I'm not sure because he has different	12:41:13
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1	people that work for Sitcomm.	
2	Q Okay. So let's move on to Sitcomm	
3	Arbitration Association, then. What does Sitcomm	
4	Arbitration Association do?	
5	A Sitcomm Arbitration Association, what do	12:41:38
6	they do?	
7	Q Yes.	
8	A So they are responsible for handling	
9	disputes between two different parties.	
10	Q And do you know when this entity was	12:42:09
11	formed?	
12	A In January of 2019.	
13	Q So it was formed at the time that you	
14	started working with Sitcomm Arbitration	
15	Association? Is that accurate?	12:42:27
16	A Yes. But when I first started working with	
17	Sitcomm, there was, like, a different director, and	
18	I wasn't really, like, involved in it as much	
19	because there were three or four different	
20	individuals who were working with Mr. Jones.	12:42:54
21	Q Who was the director that was working with	
22	Sitcomm Arbitration Association at that time in	
23	January 2019?	
24	A That was Mr. Alan Hunt, H-u-n-t.	
25	Q And you say that you said before the	12:43:17
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1	break that Mr. Alan Hunt eventually left. When did	
2	Mr. Hunt leave?	
3	A I think that Mr. Hunt was terminated by	
4	Mr. Jones.	
5	Q And do you know why he was terminated?	12:43:35
6	A I think that it was for not sending out	
7	documentation in an appropriate manner, and I think	
8	it was for it was I don't know the specifics	
9	of it, but there was some kind of monetary issue,	
10	like, going on. So, in other words, I was told, not	12:44:17
11	by Mr. Jones or by Mr. Hunt, that monies were paid	
12	to Mr. Hunt for not completing his assignments.	
13	Q All right. And do you know where Mr. Hunt	
14	is now? Does he work for another company? Do you	
15	have any contact with him?	12:44:51
16	A I haven't ever really had any any	
17	contact with him, but I know he I think he's in	
18	the state of Missouri.	
19	Q And you testified before the break that	
20	there was a new director that came in after	12:45:09
21	Mr. Hunt. Who is that?	
22	A Well, after the situation with Mr. Hunt,	
23	there really wasn't anybody that I think that	
24	Mr. Jones could trust. So he nominated me to be the	
25	director.	12:45:38
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1	Q And what date was that that he nominated	
2	you to be the director?	
3	A Well, Mr. Jones was taken into custody on	
4	May the 1st of 2019; so I want to say by, like, July	
5	or August of 2019.	12:46:09
6	Q And once Mr. Jones nominated you, did it	
7	have to go through any additional approval processes	
8	by Sitcomm Arbitration Association, or did that mean	
9	that you were officially the director of Sitcomm	
10	Arbitration Association?	12:46:28
11	A Hold on one second, ma'am. Okay. Sorry	
12	about that.	
13	Q That's all right.	
14	A Can you please repeat that because my	
15	roommate's dogs came in here.	12:46:49
16	Q Okay. Are the dogs still with you?	
17	A No. They came in here and followed her	
18	around and left.	
19	Q Okay. And your roommate is not in the room	
20	with you?	12:47:07
21	A No.	
22	Q All right. So my question was, you	
23	testified that Mr. Jones nominated you to be the new	
24	director of Sitcomm Arbitration Association after	
25	Mr. Hunt (sic) was taken into custody. After	12:47:19
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1	Mr. Jones nominated you in July or August of 2019,	
2	did that mean you automatically became the director,	
3	or was there were there other approval processes	
4	that were required before you became the official	
5	director of Sitcomm Arbitration Association?	12:47:36
6	A Well, as a matter of fact, at the time I	
7	was working with an individual by the name of	
8	just bear with me for a minute. I know he's in	
9	Texas. Alden Bennett.	
10	Q Ogden Bennett, and is that O-g-d-e-n	12:48:20
11	B-e-n-n	
12	A No, no. A, as in apple, A-l-d-e-n.	
13	Q Alden.	
14	A Bennett, yes.	
15	Q And was this individual also at Sitcomm	12:48:41
16	Arbitration Association?	
17	A No, he was with Satcomm.	
18	Q Okay. So my question was: Did you	
19	officially become the director of Sitcomm	
20	Arbitration Association after Mr. Jones nominated	12:48:58
21	you in July or August of 2019, or did other people	
22	have to approve? And are you saying that Alden	
23	Bennett had to approve you as a director, as well?	
24	A No. There was actually a whole entire	
25	committee, and that consisted of Mr. Bennett,	12:49:17
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     Jacqueline Capa, Linnette Stanford, Kenzie Williams,
     Eric Taylor and Rod, but I forget Rod's last name.
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              All right. So Linnette Sanford, is that
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     L-i-n-e-t-t-e?
              L-i-n-n-e-t-t-e.
                                                            12:50:11
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         Q
              Okay.
7
         Α
              Yes.
            And Sanford is S-a-n-f-o-r-d?
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              Yes, ma'am.
         Α
              And then the next name you listed was 12:50:19
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     Ms. Capa. Can you spell her full name for us.
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         Α
              J-a-c-q-u-e-l-i-n-e Capa, C-a-p-a.
              And Mr. Williams, can you spell his full
13
     name for us.
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              Mr. --
                                                            12:50:44
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         Α
              I thought there was a Mr. Williams that
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     came after Ms. Cava.
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             Williams? Williams? Sorry. This was so
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19
     long ago that I'm trying to remember. So there
     was -- there was Rod. Oh, yeah, Rod, Kyle Eliker, 12:51:14
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     E-l-i-k-e-r, Jackie Capa, oh, Kenzie Williams,
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     W-i-l-l-i-a-m-s, Michael Peterson and Lafrancis --
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     Lafrancis -- I told you Linnette Sanford; right?
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24
         Q
             Yes.
         A Okay. Lafrancis O'Neil.
                                                            12:52:32
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1	Q Okay. Anyone else on that committee?	
2	A Rod. Did I tell you Rod?	
3	Q Yes.	
4	A I don't I don't I don't remember his	
5	last name.	12:52:54
6	Q Okay.	
7	A Oh, Alaric, A Alaric, you know, Alaric,	
8	A-l-a-r-i-c, Scott, Junior.	
9	MR. POWERS: Just a second. For the	
10	record, ma'am, did you mention an individual named	12:53:26
11	Eric Peeler as part of your answer?	
12	THE WITNESS: Eric Taylor.	
13	MR. POWERS: Taylor. I'm sorry. Thanks	
14	for the clarification.	
15	THE WITNESS: You're welcome.	12:53:39
16	BY MS. CHANG:	
17	Q Is there anyone else you can recall that's	
18	on that committee? I know you've listed a number of	
19	names at this point.	
20	A No, ma'am, not that not that I can	12:53:54
21	recall.	
22	Q Okay. So going back, Mr. Jones nominates	
23	you to be the new director of Sitcomm Arbitration	
24	Association in July or August of 2019. And then	
25	does that nomination then go to this committee of	12:54:13
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1	people to vote on your nomination?	
2	A Yes, ma'am, it does. And I can honestly	
3	say that all of these people on this committee	
4	they I can't think of one of them that has any	
5	kind of college background. I can't think of any	12:54:47
6	kind of I can't think of any one of them that has	
7	any paralegal or law background either so	
8	Q Okay. And you have a paralegal	
9	certification, I believe, Ms. Goulette.	
10	A Yes, ma'am.	12:55:14
11	Q And when did you get that certification?	
12	A 1998.	
13	Q And do you take continuing legal education	
14	courses in order to keep that certification up to	
15	date?	12:55:31
16	A No. As soon as I received that, I did get	
17	my master's degree in public administration and	
18	government law.	
19	Q And when did you get that master's degree?	
20	A In 1994.	12:55:49
21	Q And what institution did you receive the	
22	degree from?	
23	A Murray State University.	
24	Q I'm sorry. Could you spell that for me.	
25	A Murray State University in Murray,	12:56:04
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1	Kentucky. And then I got my master's in human	
2	development and leadership from Murray State	
3	University in Murray, Kentucky. And then I got my	
4	K through five teaching master's degree from the	
5	University of Cumberlands in Kentucky, and I taught	12:56:35
6	on Fort Campbell in Clarksville, Kentucky.	
7	Q When did you get that master's in was it	
8	human development from Murray State University?	
9	A 2006.	
10	Q And then when did you get the K through	12:57:07
11	five teaching master's?	
12	A 2008.	
13	Q And do you have any other degrees in	
14	addition to the ones you've listed?	
15	A No, ma'am.	12:57:22
16	Q All right. So you mentioned that none of	
17	the people on the committee that voted to approve	
18	you as director have college degrees or paralegal	
19	certifications. Is that is that correct?	
20	A The only individual that I'm aware of, but	12:57:53
21	this is not verified, is Linnette Sanford, who	
22	stated that she was a legal secretary.	
23	Q All right. And given none of these people	
24	have college degrees, I assume they also none of	
25	them went to law school.	12:58:30
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1	A	Correct.	
2	Q	And to your knowledge, none of them are	
3	licensed	as attorneys?	
4	A	Correct.	
5	Q	To your knowledge, none of them have	12:58:42
6	practice	d law?	
7	A	Correct.	
8	Q	Do you know what level of education	
9	Mr. Jone	s has?	
10	A	I know that he has a college education, but	12:58:52
11	I cannot	confirm for you what you know, what it	
12	is in.		
13	Q	Okay. And, to your knowledge, he has have	
14	never go	ne to law school?	
15	A	He hasn't? Is that what you said?	12:59:12
16	Q	Yes. He has not gone to law school, to	
17	your kno	wledge?	
18	A	To my knowledge, no.	
19	Q	And he has never practiced law, to your	
20	knowledg	e?	12:59:22
21	A	No.	
22	Q	All right. So these people on the	
23	committe	e, how long did it take them from the time	
24	that you	were nominated by Mr. Jones to the time	
25	that the	y voted to make you director of Sitcomm	12:59:39
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1	Arbitration Association, how long did that take?	
2	A About two weeks.	
3	Q And have you met each of the people on the	
4	committee?	
5	A Have I left them?	12:59:53
6	Q Met them, met them in person, met them over	
7	the phone, met them over video.	
8	A I've met them over the phone, and I've met	
9	them over video.	
10	Q All right. So then in let's say	01:00:12
11	sometime in the summer or fall of 2019, you became	
12	the director of Sitcomm Arbitration Association.	
13	Did your responsibilities at Sitcomm change at that	
14	point?	
15	A Yes. I was responsible for the mail.	01:00:30
16	Q And is this before you became director or	
17	after?	
18	A After.	
19	Q After. Okay. I'm skipping around a lot,	
20	and that's because you're giving us a lot of useful	01:00:53
21	information. So I'm trying to gather it all in my	
22	head and make sure that we're covering all the bases	
23	that we need to. But why don't you first describe	
24	what your responsibilities were in January of 2019	
25	when you joined Sitcomm Arbitration Association.	01:01:08
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1	A You mean why did I why did I join in	
2	January 2019?	
3	Q We can start there. Why did you join in	
4	January of 2019?	
5	A Primarily because I wanted to learn. I	01:01:25
6	was I was familiar with the National the	
7	National Arbitration the National Arbitration	
8	Association. Right? And I was intrigued by some of	
9	the things that they had to say. So I just wanted	
10	to learn about the FAA.	01:01:56
11	Q And when you say the FAA, you mean the	
12	Federal Arbitration Association or the Federal	
13	A No, the Federal Arbitration Act, 9 USC	
14	Section 1 through 16.	
15	Q Okay. And at the time that you joined	01:02:16
16	Sitcomm Arbitration Association in January of 2019,	
17	were you employed elsewhere before you joined?	
18	A No.	
19	Q No. Did you have a job prior to	
20	January 2019?	01:02:38
21	A Yeah, I did. I worked overseas. I worked	
22	in Egypt, and I worked in Libya. I was a full-time	
23	teacher.	
24	Q And where were you go ahead. No, go	
25	ahead. Finish your sentence.	01:02:57
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1	A I worked for Harvard University School of	
2	Dental Medicine. I was an administrative assistant	
3	to the dean of the school.	
4	Q And who was the dean? What is the name of	
5	the dean of the school?	01:03:14
6	A Oh, my gosh. He passed away several years	
7	ago. But his predecessor who took his place, her	
8	name was Joan Fink, and I I worked very closely	
9	with her.	
10	Q And that was your job prior to joining	01:03:37
11	Sitcomm in January of 2019, is working in Egypt and	
12	Libya teaching?	
13	A Yes.	
14	Q What were you teaching in Egypt and Libya?	
15	A In Egypt I was teaching second grade, and	01:03:51
16	in Libya I was teaching third grade.	
17	Q And were you teaching in English?	
18	A No, I was teaching all of the courses	
19	because the children at the American international	
20	schools, they could all speak English.	01:04:08
21	Q Okay. So you were teaching subjects all in	
22	English, not in a different language?	
23	A Correct.	
24	Q When did you return to the United States?	
25	A In 2012.	01:04:22
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1	Q And in 2012 when you returned to the United	
2	States, what were you doing at that time?	
3	A Nothing. It was very difficult to find	
4	work.	
5	Q So how long were you unemployed from the	01:04:37
6	time that you returned to the United States in 2012	
7	until well, did you ever find a job in between	
8	2012 and starting to work with Sitcomm in January of	
9	2019?	
10	A No. Because during that time, my mother	01:04:52
11	had gotten really sick. She just recently passed	
12	away this past summer. So I moved in with her, and	
13	I became her primary caregiver.	
14	Q Well, I'm sorry to hear that. My	
15	condolences.	01:05:13
16	A Thank you.	
17	Q Now, in January 2019, you described why you	
18	joined Sitcomm. You were very interested in the	
19	Federal Arbitration Act. What in particular about	
20	Sitcomm Arbitration Association caused you to want	01:05:29
21	to join this particular company versus another	
22	arbitration company?	
23	A I think that they the way that they	
24	portrayed it is that they were up and coming.	
25	Mr. Jones is very, very knowledgeable about the FAA.	01:05:57
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1	I learned quite a bit from him. I also did quite a	
2	bit of studying on my own. I don't, you know,	
3	necessarily just take one person's perspective.	
4	That's just never never been in my nature. I	
5	studied the Supreme Court Justice Cavanaugh to a	01:06:25
6	great extent and all of the case law, prior case law	
7	and everything else. And I found that basically	
8	what Mr. Jones was reaching, you know, the	
9	conclusions of, it was pretty synonymous to what I	
10	had found myself.	01:07:04
11	Q And you did mention at the very beginning	
12	of the deposition that, you know, you've been a	
13	little bit sick and ill and you're getting better	
14	and you do want to get back to going to law school.	
15	Did you attend law school at any point in the past	01:07:23
16	or currently?	
17	A Well, many, many years ago when I lived in	
18	Boston, I was accepted to Suffolk, and I didn't	
19	stay. Upon entry I had a pretty horrible time with	
20	peers, and I decided not to stay. And so shortly	01:07:59
21	thereafter I did get married. My husband was a	
22	soldier in the United States Army. We began to	
23	have, you know, our children, and I did not graduate	
24	even until 1998 when my last child was born. And	
25	once we moved to 101st Airborne is when I decided to	01:08:27
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1	go back to school and pursue my first degree in	
2	public administration government law.	
3	Q Okay. I'm just going to clean up some of	
4	that because I didn't hear all of it, and maybe the	
5	court reporter didn't get it, as well. But you said	01:08:52
6	you were accepted to Suffolk while you were in	
7	Massachusetts. Is that the institution?	
8	A Suffolk, yes.	
9	Q Suffolk. And that's a four-year college,	
10	or what is that institution?	01:09:05
11	A Suffolk University Law School is a very	
12	well-known law school in Boston.	
13	Q Okay. And so you did you take the LSATs	
14	before you applied?	
15	A No. I wasn't required to because my grades	01:09:24
16	were very well very good. So I wasn't required	
17	to take an LSAT test.	
18	Q Okay. And go ahead.	
19	A I am required to now because of the time	
20	lapse, and so I've been studying to do that. And	01:09:54
21	it's not you know, as you can see, it's not	
22	it's really not that hard. If you do it once, you	
23	can probably do it again but	
24	Q So I didn't ask this question. But where	
25	did you go for undergrad, and what degree did you	01:10:27
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1	get?	
2	A I went to a private college. I went to	
3	Champlain College in Burlington, Vermont, and I got	
4	my undergrad in paralegal, and then I got my	
5	bachelor's of science degree.	01:10:41
6	Q And what years was that?	
7	A I graduated in 1998.	
8	Q All right. So you were accepted into	
9	Suffolk. And was it your testimony that you didn't	
10	get along with your peers? Did I hear that	01:10:59
11	correctly?	
12	A I wasn't I wasn't accepted, like, right	
13	after I graduated from from Champlain in 1998,	
14	and it wasn't necessarily that I did not get along	
15	with all my peers. It was more or less an issue of	01:11:25
16	I did not get along with my professors.	
17	Q So how long were you enrolled at Suffolk	
18	before you left?	
19	A Not even a month.	
20	Q And you never returned to Suffolk?	01:11:48
21	A Never returned to Suffolk, no.	
22	Q All right. And so then you said you got	
23	married. Are you still currently married?	
24	A No.	
25	Q What year did you get married?	01:12:02
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1	A We got married in 1992.	
2	Q And what was your what is the name of	
3	your then husband?	
4	A Kevin Goulette.	
5	Q And when did you get divorced?	01:12:19
6	A We got divorced in 1996.	
7	Q And you mentioned that you had children	
8	with Mr. Goulette. How many children and what are	
9	their names and ages?	
10	A I had three children. Jacob was born in	01:12:34
11	1994. Nicholas was born in 1998 1996. Megan was	
12	born in 1998, the year that I graduated from	
13	Champlain College.	
14	Q All right. And you mentioned that you have	
15	a roommate. Who is that roommate?	01:12:58
16	A The roommate here where I'm at now?	
17	Q Yes. Correct.	
18	A Her name is Denise.	
19	Q Denise?	
20	A Yes.	01:13:14
21	Q And what's her last name?	
22	A Brown.	
23	Q Does she work for Sitcomm Arbitration	
24	Association?	
25	A No.	01:13:24
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1	Q And how long has Denise Brown been your	
2	roommate?	
3	A For three years.	
4	Q All right. So going back, you haven't been	
5	enrolled in another law school since Suffolk, but	01:13:44
6	you're currently practicing to take your LSATs	
7	again. Is that is that an accurate assessment of	
8	where you are in that path?	
9	A Absolutely. Although, over the past of the	
10	course five years the past five years, more and	01:14:07
11	more law schools are not requiring L you know,	
12	the test to get in, especially out in California.	
13	Q Okay. So going back to when you joined	
14	Sitcomm Arbitration Association in January 2019,	
15	what was your title at that time?	01:14:29
16	A Just arbitrator secretary.	
17	Q So secretary to an arbitrator but not an	
18	arbitrator; correct?	
19	A Right. I scheduled. I scheduled hearings.	
20	I took care of accounting. I sent out notices, sent	01:14:48
21	out contracts, and I was I was scheduling	
22	arbitration hearings, yeah.	
23	Q And how many arbitrators did you act as	
24	secretary for at that time?	
25	A At that time we actually had nine	01:15:17
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1	arbitrators.	
2	Q And you did all of the scheduling and	
3	notices for all nine?	
4	A Correct.	
5	Q Were you the only secretary to the	01:15:35
6	arbitrators at Sitcomm at that time?	
7	A Correct.	
8	Q Have there been any other secretaries since	
9	January 2019 other than you?	
10	A No.	01:15:47
11	Q So when you then became the director of	
12	Sitcomm Arbitration Association sometime in, let's	
13	say, August or September of 2019, did you continue	
14	with all of those responsibilities that you had as	
15	secretary to the arbitrators?	01:16:05
16	A Absolutely, yes. Because I did not feel	
17	and nor did Mr. Jones that anyone, you know, could	
18	handle those responsibilities, and, you know, it	
19	just wouldn't have it just wouldn't have worked	
20	out.	01:16:30
21	Q And how did your responsibilities increase	
22	at the time that you became director in August or	
23	September of 2019?	
24	A I would be responsible for handling any	
25	complaints.	01:16:54
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1	Q What do you mean by	
2	A and customer	
3	Q Go ahead. Go ahead.	
4	A That's okay. Any customer service	
5	questions, inquiries, comments, anything about	01:17:05
6	arbitration procedure, how long does it take, you	
7	know, things of that nature, which, you know, I	
8	could answer depending upon how the question was	
9	posed. Certain questions in regard to, you know,	
10	what's my arbitrator going to do, I could not answer	01:17:33
11	those questions. What can I do once I, you know,	
12	receive my award? I could not answer those	
13	questions. I made it very clear to every single	
14	client that I was not privy to that information nor	
15	could I disclose that kind of information to them.	01:18:06
16	Q And when you joined Sitcomm Arbitration	
17	Association in January 2019, what was your salary at	
18	that time?	
19	A My salary I was considered a	
20	subcontractor. I didn't have a salary.	01:18:23
21	Q How were you paid, if at all?	
22	A Well, basically individuals as	
23	subcontractors are paid according to the work that	
24	they complete. So if you know, if they're asked	
25	to answer ten emails, then Mr. Jones would, you	01:18:55
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     know, compensate them for doing things of that
     nature. And back then that would be between
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     Mr. Jones, Mr. Alan. So I could not possibly give
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     you a figure.
              But you were paid by task essentially? 01:19:23
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              Yes.
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              Do you have an idea of how much you earned
     with Sitcomm, just a ballpark estimate, as a
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     secretary to the arbitrators prior to becoming a
     director?
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                                                             01:19:44
              Well, I -- I didn't -- I didn't have, like,
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     you know A, B, C, D things that I -- that I
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     necessarily got compensated for. If I answered
     emails and I gave clients a substantial response --
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     right? -- that I thought, you know, they would -- 01:20:14
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     they would feel satis -- satisfied -- you know what
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     I mean? -- then I would be consti -- I would be
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     constip -- I can't talk today.
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              That's all right. And if we need a break,
     just let me know. But continue.
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              I would be -- I would be con --
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     compensated, like, $5 for -- you know, per
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     substantial email that I would, you know, respond to
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     a client. So if I just said something like, you
     know -- well, you know, we'll get to it when we get 01:21:04
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1	to it or, you know, something that I would never	
2	say you know what I mean? or, you know, you'll	
3	just have to be patient. You know, I would actually	
4	take the time and explain the process to the client,	
5	and that is something that would that, you know,	01:21:32
6	warrants the \$5 of compensation for doing something	
7	like that.	
8	Q All right. Did you ever get paid per	
9	application that you processed?	
10	A No.	01:21:53
11	Q So you were just really getting paid by	
12	by email?	
13	A Right. Because the applications would come	
14	in along with the request for dispute resolution and	
15	the proof of payment and a copy of the contract.	01:22:16
16	Okay? At that point, I would just take all that	
17	information, make sure that, you know, names were	
18	correct, addresses were correct, things of that	
19	nature. And then I would take all those documents	
20	and send out hearing notifications so that all of	01:22:44
21	the parties involved received the same	
22	documentation. And I think don't quote me on	
23	this. But I think for doing all of that we were	
24	we were compensated, like, \$10.	
25	Q Okay. So it sounds like you were	01:23:14
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1	compensated maybe \$10 for each application and the	
2	whole processing of that application.	
3	A Yeah. Once everything was submitted, yes.	
4	Q All right. You testified that there were	
5	situations where, you know, those four prerequisites	01:23:35
6	in the application were not complete in some	
7	fashion, and you had to send the file back to the	
8	client, basically reject it and not and not pass	
9	it along to an arbitrator. In those situations,	
10	were you still paid \$10, or were you not paid	01:23:53
11	because it was a rejected file?	
12	A No, I wasn't paid. Because it wouldn't	
13	have even gone out. The hearing notifications would	
14	not have gone out. And so what we would do is just	
15	out of like a common courtesy type of situation, you	01:24:12
16	know, we would say, okay, well, thank you for	
17	submitting your application. Thank you for	
18	submitting the contract, but we still need the proof	
19	of service, and then we can send it out. And then	
20	once it's sent out, that person would receive the	01:24:31
21	\$10 compensation.	
22	Q Got it. Now, when you became director in	
23	August or September of 2019, did your compensation	
24	structure change?	
25	A Not a whole lot.	01:24:50
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1	Q So you got a promotion go ahead.	
2	A Right now because Brett has these three	
3	organizations and he's incapacitated, to say the	
4	least, I have been helping him with all three of the	
5	organizations. Over the past six months, you know,	01:25:26
6	people have people have not answered emails	
7	correctly and kind of let, you know, the clients'	
8	papers, you know, slip, things like that. So, you	
9	know, I let him know on every occasion, but he also	
10	wants me to let them know that, you know, until it	01:26:01
11	gets fixed and until the customer is happy, they	
12	will not be receiving their grant funds.	
13	Q Now, at the time that you became the	
14	director, did they hire any additional, meaning	
15	Brett Jones, did he hire anyone additional to assist	01:26:26
16	you with operating Sitcomm Arbitration Association?	
17	A No, ma'am.	
18	Q Now, let's talk about the arbitrators. You	
19	said that at the time that you started working as a	
20	secretary for Sitcomm Arbitration Association there	01:26:55
21	were nine arbitrators. Do you recall their names?	
22	A Yes. We had Timothy Simpson, and he was	
23	located in Nashville, Tennessee. Steven it will	
24	come to me. Keisha Jones, she is in Georgia. There	
25	was another lady named Tracy, and she was in	01:27:55
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1	Tennessee. Alden Bennett, yeah, Alden Bennett, and	
2	he was in Texas. Alan Hunt, even though he was a	
3	director, he was doing arbitrations, and he's in	
4	Missouri. And then I can't forget I can't	
5	remember the other person.	01:29:05
6	Q Okay. Well, just as we left a blank	
7	earlier in the deposition transcript, you know,	
8	you've listed six names now, if you can remember the	
9	other three once you see the deposition transcript,	
10	you can fill that in on the transcript. Okay?	01:29:22
11	A Okay.	
12	INFORMATION REQUESTED:	
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14	BY MS. CHANG:	
15	Q Now, the people you've named, do you know	01:29:28
16	if any of them were law school graduates?	
17	A There was an individual named he was in	
18	Texas, too Gonzo.	
19	Q Is that G-o	
20	A G-o-n-z-o. I think his real name was	01:30:05
21	Mark Mark I'll find it. But shortly after	
22	Brett went to jail, I took a look at Mark's résumé,	
23	and it was stated that he graduated from law school	
24	in New York; although, New York has no record of him	
25	graduating law school. And then he further told a	01:31:01
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1	couple people that he was disbarred in Texas, and	
2	when I looked at the Lily, stop. I'm sorry, you	
3	guys. When I looked at the Texas Bar Association,	
4	Mark was never was never part of that. He also	
5	said that his mother was an attorney and she	01:31:45
6	owned it. She actually owned an insurance company.	
7	And I couldn't find her. Well, he said she was a	
8	judge, but I couldn't find her either.	
9	And so Gonzo wanted to be a part of SAA,	
10	like, desperately, and I had to do some checking	01:32:22
11	into him. And when I did do some checking into him,	
12	I found out that he's had a pretty ongoing and to	
13	this day serious narcotics issue. And I also found	
14	out that he had his children taken away from him and	
15	that you know you know, this isn't about	01:33:03
16	retaliation. I feel I feel bad for him. But	
17	then I had to stop and think even excuse me	
18	even if all of these things were alleged	
19	right? and even if before he went to court and	
20	everything, it was, like, shortly thereafter that he	01:33:44
21	was indicted. And I have a copy of his résumé,	
22	which is, you know, almost unheard of to be a nurse	
23	and then an attorney and a professional, you know,	
24	veterinarian. And I mean it just goes on and on and	
25	on. Right?	01:34:20
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1	And then Gonzo I found out took quite a bit	
2	of money from a few of my friends, which really hurt	
3	my feelings because they were already down and out	
4	as it was losing their houses and stuff. So I	
5	Q What	01:34:45
6	A haven't talked to him.	
7	Q Sorry. What did Gonzo take money from your	
8	friend for, or was he representing that he was going	
9	to assist them with not losing their homes?	
10	A No. Gonzo took money from them saying	01:35:11
11	that that he could use some kind of, like,	
12	sheik-like sovereign citizen. Like, you know, he's	
13	big into that, like that kind of stuff, ran patents	
14	and discharging debt for mortgages and all this kind	
15	of weird stuff. And I'm not talking about, you	01:36:02
16	know, just like a little bit of money here and	
17	there. I'm talking about thousands of dollars that	
18	he did this to some of my friends for. And then	
19	like they didn't have money to eat even for a long	
20	time. So it was kind of sad. So I wasn't going to	01:36:28
21	let Gonzo have anything to do with Sitcomm, SAA.	
22	But he also got into some serious trouble	
23	last year. He called me up and he said that he got	
24	busted for marijuana, and he was going to get his	
25	kids taken away. And I kind of called his bluff,	01:37:02
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     and I said, "You know, Gonzo, unless you have like a
     lot of marijuana -- you know what I mean? -- people
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     aren't really out to take kids away anymore, you
     know." And then I got a phone call like a week
     later that they wanted to do, like, a hair test on 01:37:29
     him, and they found heroin, and they found this, and
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     they found that. And they did take the kids away.
     But I guess what bothered me the most was the fact
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     that Gonzo was doing this in front of his kids, and
     I thought that, you know, that was really sad, and 01:38:07
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     also he lied.
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              Well, you know, that's -- that's
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     unfortunate but -- so from what I can gather from
     your testimony, he was never made an arbitrator of
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     Sitcomm Arbitration Association because of all these 01:38:31
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     red flags that you just described. Correct?
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               Correct. But his address in Texas --
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     okay? -- the -- what is it? The 1001 address in
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     Texas where he was serving as our resident agent,
     and he was -- he was getting our mail, you know, and 01:38:57
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     doing all this stuff at the same time. He never
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     ever ever gave us our mail.
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              And who authorized him to serve as Sitcomm
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     Arbitration Association's registered agent?
              That would be Brett.
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1	Q Brett. Okay. And I just had one question.	
2	You said that you received Gonzo's résumé after	
3	Brett had been had gone to prison. When did	
4	Brett go to prison, and was he in prison when you	
5	joined Sitcomm in January of 2019?	01:39:44
6	A No, Brett didn't go to prison until May 1st	
7	of 2019. Brett had he had Gonzo's résumé before	
8	that. I guess he just never checked into it.	
9	Because as soon as I got a hold of it, I checked	
10	into it, and I was like there's no way. You can't	01:40:13
11	get through law school in two years and well,	
12	maybe you can if you're a genius. Right? But Gonzo	
13	is not a genius.	
14	Q Okay. Now, when you when you joined	
15	Sitcomm Arbitration Association in January of 2019,	01:40:41
16	Brett was not incarcerated. Brett Jones was not	
17	incarcerated; correct?	
18	A Correct.	
19	Q Did you ever meet him in person before he	
20	went	01:40:55
21	A No.	
22	Q So you've never met him in person, period?	
23	A Hmm-um.	
24	MS. CHANG: All right. Well, you know, I	
25	think it's been a little bit more than an hour. Why	01:41:02
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     don't we take a 20-minute break at this point, if
     that's okay with you, Ms. Goulette, and go back on
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     the record around 2:00 Pacific Time, 4:00 your time
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     in Mississippi.
              THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Sounds good. We are now 01:41:22
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     going off the record. The time is 1:41 p.m. Pacific
     Standard Time.
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              (Recess taken.)
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              THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now back on the
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     record. The time is 3:05 p.m.
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              MS. CHANG: All right.
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              MR. POWERS: This is Harris Powers on the
     record also as local counsel.
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              MS. CHANG: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Powers.
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     This is Cheryl Chang. As we broke for a 15- or
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     20-minute break back at 1:40 p.m. Pacific, 3:40 p.m.
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     Central Time, we all came back at 2:00 p.m. Pacific
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     and 4:00 p.m. Central Time as we agreed to after a
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     20-minute break. Mr. Powers, the court reporter and
     videographer and myself have been here waiting since 03:06:28
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     2:00 p.m. Pacific, 4:00 p.m. Central, and it's now
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     3:06 p.m. Pacific and 5:06 p.m. Central, and we have
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     not been able to reach Ms. Goulette. I have called
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     her twice and left her two voicemails, and I've now
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     sent her three emails just trying to follow up with
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1	her because I wasn't able to reach her on her phone.	
2	My co-counsel in Los Angeles, Nicole Metral, has	
3	also tried calling Ms. Goulette and left a voicemail	
4	and has been unable to reach her, as well.	
5	Since it does not appear that the witness	03:07:06
6	is returning to the deposition, we will suspend the	
7	deposition for now, and we will coordinate with her	
8	to reconvene and continue her deposition to a later	
9	date and time.	
10	I will mark as Exhibit 5 an email exchange	03:07:23
11	that I have been sending to Ms. Goulette at her	
12	email address at sandy@saalimited.com. The email	
13	chain is carbon copied to Nicole Metral, Harris	
14	Powers and my other colleague in LA, Jessica	
15	McElroy, and we'll make that Exhibit 5 to the	03:07:49
16	deposition.	
17	(Exhibit 5 was marked for identification.)	
18	MS. CHANG: Anything else I need to add,	
19	Mr. Powers?	
20	MR. POWERS: Just verify that Ms. Chang has	03:07:54
21	had the benefit of local counsel during this	
22	deposition consistent with the Uniform Rules of	
23	Practice for the northern and southern districts of	
24	Mississippi. There have been numerous good faith	
25	attempts made by Ms. Chang to resolve what I	03:08:13
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1	perceive as to be a discovery dispute under Rule 30	
2	and Rule 37 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.	
3	And to the extent that further efforts are made to	
4	resolve this discovery dispute and go unresponded	
5	to, this is our record that's being made in support	03:08:35
6	of a motion to compel and a motion for sanctions	
7	pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and	
8	the local rules of practice.	
9	MS. CHANG: Thank you, Mr. Powers. I join	
10	in all of that, and with that I think we can go off	03:08:49
11	the record.	
12	MR. POWERS: Good evening, everyone. And	
13	I'm going to shoot you a quick email, Cheryl.	
14	MS. CHANG: Okay. All right. And, Lisa,	
15	I'm going to send you and I'll send it to	03:09:00
16	Jonathan, as well, just, you know, in case. I'll	
17	just follow on that last email. I will forward you	
18	all the exhibits for today. And I don't need a	
19	rough right away, but it would be nice and	
20	interesting to see what we've got so far. So if you	03:09:14
21	can get it to me by the end of the week, that would	
22	be fabulous.	
23	THE REPORTER: I can do that.	
24	MS. CHANG: All right.	
25	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Okay. We're now going	03:09:22
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off the record, and this concludes the video
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    deposition of Sandra Goulette. The time is
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    3:09 p.m. Pacific Standard Time.
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Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 30

- (e) Review By the Witness; Changes.
- (1) Review; Statement of Changes. On request by the deponent or a party before the deposition is completed, the deponent must be allowed 30 days after being notified by the officer that the transcript or recording is available in which:
- (A) to review the transcript or recording; and
- (B) if there are changes in form or substance, to sign a statement listing the changes and the reasons for making them.
- (2) Changes Indicated in the Officer's Certificate. The officer must note in the certificate prescribed by Rule 30(f)(1) whether a review was requested and, if so, must attach any changes the deponent makes during the 30-day period.

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2019. PLEASE REFER TO THE APPLICABLE FEDERAL RULES

OF CIVIL PROCEDURE FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION.

VERITEXT LEGAL SOLUTIONS COMPANY CERTIFICATE AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Veritext Legal Solutions represents that the foregoing transcript is a true, correct and complete transcript of the colloquies, questions and answers as submitted by the court reporter. Veritext Legal Solutions further represents that the attached exhibits, if any, are true, correct and complete documents as submitted by the court reporter and/or attorneys in relation to this deposition and that the documents were processed in accordance with our litigation support and production standards.

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

Eastern Division

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, CIVIL ACTION

Case No: 2:19-cv-00193-KS-MTP

Plaintiff,

-VS-

SITCOMM ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION, MARK MOFFETT, SANDRA GOULETTE, RONNIE KAHAPEA, MARK JOHNSON, KIRK GIBBS, and ALARIC SCOTT,

Defendants.

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT SANDRA GOULETTE PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

DEPONENT: SANDRA GOULETTE

DATE: December 7, 2020

TIME: 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time

LOCATION: Remote by videoconference. See Exhibit A. Contact Veritext's

calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the

necessary credentials to access the remote deposition.

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Please take notice that pursuant to Rules 26 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC ("PennyMac") will take the deposition by oral examination of defendant Sandra Goulette ("Deponent") on December 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time via remote video conference pursuant to Exhibit A.

The remote deposition will be coordinated by Veritext Legal Solutions, with a business address of 707 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 3500, Los Angeles, CA 90017. Contact Veritext's calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the necessary credentials to access the remote deposition, as well as information related to any technical assistance you may require to assist with carrying out the virtual deposition. We encourage you to access www.veritext.com/remote for additional remote deposition information.

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Dated: November 11, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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Noticing counsel are not responsible for the quality or functionality of the video and audio stream for the witness, observers, or other participants. Attendees agree to work in good faith to facilitate remote participation.

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- 5. <u>Conduct by Participants Appearing Remotely</u>. Each individual participating in the deposition (including counsel for the deponent) must do so remotely and must have an active video stream and audio line for the duration of the deposition. Each participant should attend from a quiet, private location.

- 6. <u>Deponent Communication During a Video Deposition</u>. During the deposition, Deponent shall not communicate with anyone at all outside of the video/audio stream. This includes, but is not limited to, instant messaging, text messaging, or any equivalent. In the event any such communications occur, the parties agree that the communications are discoverable.
- 7. <u>Disruptions</u>. In the event a participant's video feed is interrupted or otherwise becomes hidden from view, the deposition will be suspended, and the parties will go back on the record only when the participant's video stream functionality has been restored. Disruptions due to video streaming, phone line interruptions, or other technical problems shall not be counted against record time. If a party believes that the transmission and/or recording was disrupted in bad faith, including but not limited to for purposes of delay, it may request that an additional videographer record other participants and may seek further appropriate relief from the Court.
- 8. <u>Court Reporter and Videographer</u>. The parties will stipulate, in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 30(b)(5), that the court reporter or videographer may participate in the deposition by remote means, and that the deposition will be deemed to have been conducted "before" that officer, even though the officer is not physically present with the deponent, so long as that officer is able to identify the deponent.
- 9. <u>Official Record</u>. The court reporter's transcript, and the videographer's recording (if any), shall constitute the official record of the deposition for all purposes.
- 10. Other Recording. No participant other than the court reporter and videographer (if any) may record or photograph any of the proceedings. This shall include recording using any form of remote transmitting device, computer recording device, laptops, camera, and personal device, including smart phones, tablets, iPads, Androids, iPhones, Blackberries, or other PDAs. Nothing in this provision prevents or limits the taking of notes by those identified on the record.
- 11. <u>Use of Remote Depositions at Trial</u>. Remote depositions conducted in accordance with this Protocol may be admitted at trial with the same effect as a deposition conducted inperson.
- 12. <u>Instant Visual Display Technology</u>. In the event the noticing party utilizes instant visual display technology such that the court reporter's writing of

the proceeding will be displayed in real-time, the witness shall not have access to the instant visual display.

- 13. <u>Applicable Authority</u>. Unless otherwise set forth herein, the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Federal Rules of Evidence, and other applicable authority shall govern as though the deposition was conducted in-person.
- 14. <u>Duration</u>. Nothing herein prevents a noticing party from conducting an in-person deposition once COVID-19 related preventative measures are lifted in the states where the parties and counsel reside. If, however, a noticing party elects to conduct a deposition by remote means even after such measures are lifted, the terms of this Protocol shall continue to govern.

PROOF OF SERVICE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I am employed in the county of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is **BLANK ROME LLP**, 2029 Century Park East, 6th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067.

On **November 11, 2020**, I served the foregoing document(s):

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT SANDRA GOULETTE PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

on the interested parties in this action addressed and sent as follows:

SEE ATTACHED SERVICE LIST

- **BY ENVELOPE:** by placing □ the original **■** a true copy thereof enclosed in sealed envelope(s) addressed as indicated and delivering such envelope(s):
- Angeles, California with postage thereon fully prepaid to the office or home of the addressee(s) as indicated. I am "readily familiar" with this firm's practice of collection and processing documents for mailing. It is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on that same day, with postage fully prepaid, in the ordinary course of business. I am aware that on motion of party served, service is presumed invalid if postal cancellation date or postage meter date is more than one day after the date of deposit for mailing in affidavit.
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FEDERAL: I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at whose direction service was made.

Executed on November 11, 2020 at Los Angeles, California.

/s/Charman S. Bee
Charman S. Bee

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November 17, 2020

TO DEFENDANTS

SEE CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE AND SERVICE LIST

Re: PennyMac Loan Services, LLC v. Sitcomm Arbitration Association, et al. Case No. 2:19-cv-00193-KS-MTP (Southern District of Mississippi)

Dear Defendants:

As you know, Blank Rome LLP and Upshaw, Williams, Biggers & Beckham, LLP represent plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC ("PennyMac") in the above-referenced matter.

We wanted to provide each of you with the enclosed five notices of deposition for Mark Johnson, Ronnie Kahapea, Kirk Gibbs, Sandra Goulette, and Mark Moffett. Each of these deposition notices were previously served to the corresponding deponent on November 11, 2020. We also wanted you to be aware that each of you may attend the other depositions. The deposition schedule is as follows:

- November 24, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time Mark Johnson
- November 30, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central Time Ronnie Kahapea
- December 4, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time Kirk Gibbs
- December 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time Sandra Goulette
- December 9, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time Mark Moffett

As stated in each of the notices of deposition, the depositions will take place remotely by video conference. Please contact Veritext's calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the necessary credentials to access the remote deposition. Please also contact my office at least three (3) calendar days prior to the deposition to advise that it is your desire to appear via these remote participating means so that the necessary credentials, call-in numbers, email address, services, testing and information, if necessary, can be arranged and provided to you prior to the proceeding(s). The following webpage - www.veritext.com/remote may also be accessed for additional remote deposition information.

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Please feel free to contact the undersigned if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Nicole B. Metral

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Enclosures (Five Notices of Deposition)

cc: Harris Powers, Esq. (e-mail only)
Steven Cookston, Esq. (e-mail only)
Cheryl Chang, Esq. (e-mail only)
Jessica McElroy (e-mail only)

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Nicole B. Metral, hereby certify that I have this day caused to be served true and correct copies of the following: (1) LETTER DATED NOVEMBER 17, 2020; (2) PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT MARK JOHNSON PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30; (3) PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT RONNIE KAHAPEA PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30; (4) PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT KIRK GIBBS PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30; (5) PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT SANDRA GOULETTE PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30; AND (6) PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT MARK MOFFETT PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30 via Federal Express to:

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SO CERTIFIED this the 17th day of November, 2020.

/s/ Nicole B. Metral NICOLE B. METRAL

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Defendants.

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TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

DEPONENT: MARK JOHNSON

DATE: November 24, 2020

TIME: 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time

LOCATION: Remote by videoconference. See Exhibit A. Contact Veritext's

calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the

necessary credentials to access the remote deposition.

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Please take notice that pursuant to Rules 26 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC ("PennyMac") will take the deposition by oral examination of defendant Mark Johnson ("Deponent") on November 24, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time via remote video conference pursuant to Exhibit A.

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- 5. <u>Conduct by Participants Appearing Remotely</u>. Each individual participating in the deposition (including counsel for the deponent) must do so remotely and must have an active video stream and audio line for the duration of the deposition. Each participant should attend from a quiet, private location.

- 6. <u>Deponent Communication During a Video Deposition</u>. During the deposition, Deponent shall not communicate with anyone at all outside of the video/audio stream. This includes, but is not limited to, instant messaging, text messaging, or any equivalent. In the event any such communications occur, the parties agree that the communications are discoverable.
- 7. <u>Disruptions</u>. In the event a participant's video feed is interrupted or otherwise becomes hidden from view, the deposition will be suspended, and the parties will go back on the record only when the participant's video stream functionality has been restored. Disruptions due to video streaming, phone line interruptions, or other technical problems shall not be counted against record time. If a party believes that the transmission and/or recording was disrupted in bad faith, including but not limited to for purposes of delay, it may request that an additional videographer record other participants and may seek further appropriate relief from the Court.
- 8. <u>Court Reporter and Videographer</u>. The parties will stipulate, in accordance with Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 30(b)(5), that the court reporter or videographer may participate in the deposition by remote means, and that the deposition will be deemed to have been conducted "before" that officer, even though the officer is not physically present with the deponent, so long as that officer is able to identify the deponent.
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Eastern Division

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, CIVIL ACTION

Case No: 2:19-cv-00193-KS-MTP

Plaintiff,

-VS-

SITCOMM ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION, MARK MOFFETT, SANDRA GOULETTE, RONNIE KAHAPEA, MARK JOHNSON, KIRK GIBBS, and ALARIC SCOTT,

Defendants.

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT RONNIE KAHAPEA PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

DEPONENT: RONNIE KAHAPEA

DATE: November 30, 2020

TIME: 1:00 p.m. Central Standard Time

LOCATION: Remote by videoconference. See Exhibit A. Contact Veritext's

calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the

necessary credentials to access the remote deposition.

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Please take notice that pursuant to Rules 26 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC ("PennyMac") will take the deposition by oral examination of defendant Ronnie Kahapea ("Deponent") on November 30, 2020 at 1:00 p.m. Central Standard Time via remote video conference pursuant to Exhibit A.

The remote deposition will be coordinated by Veritext Legal Solutions, with a business address of 707 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 3500, Los Angeles, CA 90017. Contact Veritext's calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the necessary credentials to access the remote deposition, as well as information related to any technical assistance you may require to assist with carrying out the virtual deposition. We encourage you to access www.veritext.com/remote for additional remote deposition information.

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Please contact the noticing attorney at least three (3) calendar days prior to the deposition to advise that it is your desire to appear via these remote participating means so that the necessary credentials, call-in numbers, email address, services, testing and information, if necessary, can be arranged and provided to you prior to the proceeding(s).

Dated: November 11, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

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Counsel for Plaintiff

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- 2. Participant List. At least three calendar days prior to the noticed deposition date, each individual planning to participate in the deposition must notify the party noticing the deposition of his/her intent to participate and provide the following information to the noticing party: (a) name, (b) email address, (c) phone number. The noticing party will share this information with the vendor arranging the deposition for the limited purpose of facilitating each participating party's access to the video web portal for the deposition.
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Defendants.

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT KIRK GIBBS PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

DEPONENT: KIRK GIBBS

DATE: December 4, 2020

TIME: 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time

LOCATION: Remote by videoconference. See Exhibit A. Contact Veritext's

calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the

necessary credentials to access the remote deposition.

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Please take notice that pursuant to Rules 26 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC ("PennyMac") will take the deposition by oral examination of defendant Kirk Gibbs ("Deponent") on December 4, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time via remote video conference pursuant to Exhibit A.

The remote deposition will be coordinated by Veritext Legal Solutions, with a business address of 707 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 3500, Los Angeles, CA 90017. Contact Veritext's calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the necessary credentials to access the remote deposition, as well as information related to any technical assistance you may require to assist with carrying out the virtual deposition. We encourage you to access www.veritext.com/remote for additional remote deposition information.

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Dated: November 11, 2020

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Defendants.

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT SANDRA GOULETTE PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

DEPONENT: SANDRA GOULETTE

DATE: December 7, 2020

TIME: 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time

LOCATION: Remote by videoconference. See Exhibit A. Contact Veritext's

calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the

necessary credentials to access the remote deposition.

TO ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

Please take notice that pursuant to Rules 26 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC ("PennyMac") will take the deposition by oral examination of defendant Sandra Goulette ("Deponent") on December 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time via remote video conference pursuant to Exhibit A.

The remote deposition will be coordinated by Veritext Legal Solutions, with a business address of 707 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 3500, Los Angeles, CA 90017. Contact Veritext's calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the necessary credentials to access the remote deposition, as well as information related to any technical assistance you may require to assist with carrying out the virtual deposition. We encourage you to access www.veritext.com/remote for additional remote deposition information.

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Dated: November 11, 2020

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Defendants.

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT MARK MOFFETT PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

DEPONENT: MARK MOFFETT

DATE: December 9, 2020

TIME: 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time

LOCATION: Remote by videoconference. See Exhibit A. Contact Veritext's

calendar team at calendar-LA@Veritext.com to retrieve the

necessary credentials to access the remote deposition.

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Please take notice that pursuant to Rules 26 and 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC ("PennyMac") will take the deposition by oral examination of defendant Mark Moffett ("Deponent") on December 9, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Standard Time via remote video conference pursuant to Exhibit A.

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Please contact the noticing attorney at least three (3) calendar days prior to the deposition to advise that it is your desire to appear via these remote participating means so that the necessary credentials, call-in numbers, email address, services, testing and information, if necessary, can be arranged and provided to you prior to the proceeding(s).

Dated: November 11, 2020

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Nicole Bartz Metral

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 $Re: \quad \textit{PennyMac Loan Services, LLC v. Sitcomm Arbitration Association, et al.}$

Case No. 2:19-cv-00193-KS-MTP (Southern District of Mississippi)

Dear Ms. Goulette:

As you know, plaintiff PennyMac Loan Services, LLC has noticed your deposition for Monday, December 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time. You have not contacted my office to receive the credentials to access the remote deposition. We also understand that you have not contacted Veritext.

Please find the link to access your deposition here:

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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

Eastern Division

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC, CIVIL ACTION

Case No: 2:19-cv-00193-KS-MTP

Plaintiff.

-VS-

SITCOMM ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION, MARK MOFFETT, SANDRA GOULETTE, RONNIE KAHAPEA, MARK JOHNSON, KIRK GIBBS, and ALARIC SCOTT,

Defendants.

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S AMENDED NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT SANDRA GOULETTE PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD

DEPONENT: SANDRA GOULETTE

DATE: December 8, 2020

TIME: 12:30 p.m. Central Standard Time

LOCATION: Remote by videoconference. See Exhibit A. The link for the

deposition is below:

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I am employed in the county of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is **BLANK ROME LLP**, 2029 Century Park East, 6th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067.

On **December 7, 2020**, I served the foregoing document(s):

PLAINTIFF PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC'S AMENDED NOTICE OF DEPOSITION OF DEFENDANT SANDRA GOULETTE PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 26 AND 30

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Ms. Goulette,

It is now 3pm PT/5pm CT, and it has been nearly an hour and a half since we took a break. We have not been abl reach you. I've called you twice and left voicemails and Ms. Metral has called and left you a voicemail as well. Sin it appears you are not rejoining the deposition today, we will suspend the deposition for now and put on the record that you did not return. And we will coordinate with you to continue the deposition to another date. Please advise soon as possible when you are available this month to start your deposition again.

Thanks, Cheryl

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Subject: RE: Depositions Importance: High

Ms. Goulette,

It's been over an hour since we went on break. Can you let us know if you are ok and are able to come back to th Zoom deposition? We were scheduled to reconvene at 2pm PT/4pm CT.

I've left two voicemails on your cell but have not been able to reach you.

Thanks,

Cheryl

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Ms. Goulette,

Mr. Powers, the court reporter, the videographer and I are all ready and waiting for you to begin the deposition aga Please join us on Zoom as soon as you can.

Thank you,

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Dear Ms Metral:

I will be in attendance today for the deposition and I agree to accept electronic service to amend the new time and date of the proceeding. I will go to the veritext.com site now and log in to make the arrangements.

In regard to your second questions, I do not have an email address for Mr. Moffett outside of his SAA email and I has not utilized that for the past year to the best of my knowledge. Therefore, I do apologize but I do not speak to him and I do not have any access as to how to reach him via email. Looking in my cell phone, I do have a numbe for him, however; I am not aware if it is still functional as I have not made any attempts to contact him. I will be mo than happy to give that you you if you think that it may help. The number for Mr. Moffett is 601-580-1733

A do apologize that I am not able to supply you with more information, however; I do home this this will help you.

Talk Soon

Sandra Goulette